

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

WALNUT TOWNSHIP, FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OH - BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS (BZA)

11420 Millersport Rd., Millersport, OH 43067

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

MAY 8, 2025 – 8:36 PM

Board of Zoning Appeals members present: Alex Fant, Martha Snavely, Ron Sharpe, Mark Helms

Zoning Inspector: Mike Berry

Members absent: Ken Reinscheld, Alternate Rick Singer

Chair Fant asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes from April 10, 2025 Hearing #25-25, Martha Snavely made a motion to approve, Mark Helms, seconded the motion.

Roll call: Fant – Yes, Snavely, - Yes, Helms, - Yes, Sharpe, - Yes

Chair Fant asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes from April 10, 2025 Hearing #25-26, Martha Snavely made a motion, Mark Helms seconded the motion.

Roll call: Fant, - Yes, Snavely, - Yes, Helms, - Yes, Sharpe, - Yes,

Chair Fant asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes from April 10, 2025 Hearing #25-33, Martha Snavely made a motion to approve, Mark Helms seconded the motion.

Roll call: Fant, -Yes, - Snavely, - Yes – Helms, Yes - Sharpe

Chair Fant asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes from April 10, 2025 Regular Meeting, Martha Snavely made a motion to approve, Mark Helms seconded the motion.

Roll call: Fant, Yes – Snavely, Yes – Helms, Yes – Sharpe, Yes -

Chair Fant asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes from April 24, 2025 Rescheduled Special Hearing #25-25, Martha Snavely made a motion to approve, Mark Helms seconded the motion.

Roll call: Fant, - Yes, Snavely, - Yes, Helms, - Yes, Sharpe, - Yes

Chair Fant asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes from Special Hearing #25-35, #25-36, #25,37 & #25-38, Martha Snavely made the motion to approve, Mark Helms seconded the motion.

Roll call: Fant, - Yes, Snavely, - Yes, Helms, - Yes, Sharpe, - Yes.

Old Business: None

New Business: Mike said there will be an added meeting for the BZA on May 22, 2025. Mike stated he is getting a lot of feedback from the Fairfield Beach community regarding so much building happening on Fairfield Beach. Chair Fant stated that the building will continue, no matter how upset the residents become. He said that the Board is having to cleanup 100 years of mess because there hasn't been consistency in the zoning on Fairfield Beach. Chair Fant stated that it is up to the Board to determine the impact on the community.

Mark Helms asked Mike Berry regarding the concerns of residents regarding the wells. Mike replied that many of these wells just needed to be drilled deeper because many were only 20 ft. deep. He said that the Health Department has made the decision that wells need to be drilled prior to building on the property rather than issuing permits after the fact.

Adjournment: At 8:57 p.m., Chair Fant asked for a motion to adjourn, motion by Martha Snavely, second by Ron Sharpe. Motion passed with 4 yes votes.

Minutes Recorded By: Patricia McLoughlin


Alex Fant – Chair


Martha Snavely - Vice Chair