Ravenna Township Board of Zoning Appeals

Jeff Gaynor, Remy Arness, Gary Long, Claire Moore, JoAnn McEwen

A public hearing of the Ravenna Township Board of Zoning Appeals was advertised and held at 6:00PM, on Wednesday, August 9, 2023, at 6145 S. Spring Street., Ravenna, Ohio 44266

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Chairman Remy Arness. Administrative Assistant Melissa Murphy took the roll call, Remy Arness, yes; Claire Moore, yes; Gary Long, yes; Jeff Gaynor, yes; JoAnn McEwen was absent. A quorum was recognized for the record.

Audience:

- Angelo Battaglia, 2650 Summit Road (Applicant)
- Tim Gerity, 12222 Plaza Drive, Parma (Lamar Advertising)
- Kerry Hollender, resident, possible BZA alternate
- Jim DiPaola, Trustee

New Business: BZA #2023-006 (continuance)

The Board heard from Angelo regarding his request to erect billboards on his property located on St. Rte. 59 in Ravenna. This was a continuance from the July 14, 2023, public hearing. Also, speaking on this case was Tim Gerity from Lamar Advertising, from Parma Ohio. Tim explained to the board what the potential billboards will look like covering sizes, materials, lighting etc., one side will be digital (east side, which will be seen heading towards Kent, and west side will be vinyl materials). Tim also advised that his company's safety team will be handling the maintenance while doing their routine checkups at this location and that his company will provide a contact number to the Fire Department for emergency purposes. Remy & Claire stated that they prefer 20 seconds screen time as per zoning code instead of the requested 8 seconds.

Claire made a motion to approve variance as written with conditions that they must meet state & federal regulations and use the 20 seconds instead of 8 seconds. Gary seconded the motion. R/C: Jeff, yes; Gary, yes; Claire, yes; Remy, yes; Motion passed.

Claire made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from July 12, 2023, meeting. Remy seconded the motion. R/C: Jeff, yes; Gary, yes; Claire, yes; Remy, yes; Motion passed.

Gary made a motion to journalize the Boards decision of BZA #2023-006. R/C: Jeff, yes; Gary, yes; Claire, yes; Remy, yes; Motion passed.

Gary made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:06PM. Remy seconded it. R/C: Jeff, yes; Gary, yes; Claire, yes; Remy, yes; Motion passed.

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ATTEST:

Chair

Zoning Inspector

Administrative Assistant