



Zoning Commission Meeting Minutes

1454 Rome Corners Road, Galena, OH 43021

February 5, 2026, 7:00 p.m.

Call to order: David called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Determination of a Quorum/Roll Call: Members present were Jon Kerr, Matt Allen, Tony Lonigro, Damita Peery and Jessica Duvall. Also present were Zoning Inspector David Weade, and Meeting Secretary Alison Newton.

Damita Peery was sworn in to a 5-year term on the Zoning Commission by Mike Dattilo.

Motion to approve the minutes: A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes from September 4th, 2025, by Tony, seconded by Damita. Motion approved 5-0.

A motion to elect Damita Peery as Chair of the Zoning Commission was made by Tony, seconded by Matt. Motion approved 5-0.

A motion to elect Andy Kerr as Co-Chair of the Zoning Commission was made by Jon, seconded by Tony. Motion approved 5-0.

Announcements: Our meeting this evening will conclude at 9:30 pm. Any unfinished business will be continued to March 5th, 2026, at 7 pm at 1454 Rome Corners Road, Galena Ohio 43021.

Statement of policy: As is the adopted policy of the Berkshire Township Zoning Commission, all applicants will be granted an opportunity to make their formal presentation. Following the applicant's presentation preliminary questions or points of clarification from the commission will be allowed. The audience will then be granted an opportunity to comment. Each individual will be granted three minutes. We ask that you be brief and to the point. The Chairperson may limit repetitive comments and close public comments after a reasonable time. The commission will ask questions and take action if needed.

General discussion of current zoning resolution:

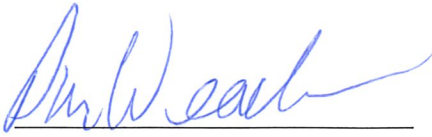
Tony noted that he thought the commission could work to establish stricter noise ordinance. David noted that the township has an adopted noise ordinance but noted that it is hard to enforce. Mike Dattilo explained that the township has limited resources to pursue these noise complaints. David provided general history of these issues within the township and difficulties that exist. David brought up construction guidelines and noises associated when construction companies start and stop construction during the day.

David asked the board about their thoughts on the township code, specifically the section on fences. He noted

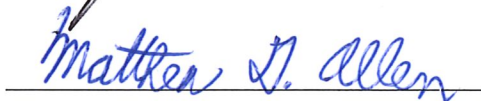
that Delaware County allows pool covers instead of fences and questioned the board if the township should regulate fences in subdivisions with respect to pools. Jon asked about nearby townships and how they handle this and there was general discussion about how local neighborhoods and HOA handle this topic. The board and township leadership will look into legal difficulties regarding this topic.

General Discussion regarding zoning issues and projects under construction.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Jon at 7:56 p.m. Seconded by Tony. Motion approved 5-0.



Zoning Inspector



Zoning Commission Members



Meeting Secretary



Date