

January 5, 2026

The Marion township board of zoning appeals held its regularly scheduled meeting on January 5, 2026.

Members present at the meeting were Jeff Hack, Charles Hall, Todd Hunt, Cindy Rinker, and Michael Stewart. Karen McCleary, Marion Township Trustee, Jeff Cummins, Zoning Inspector, Kasey Caudill and Sarah Tanner.

Public Hearing

Kasey Caudill advised he has begun construction on a pole barn at 184 Barford Road, Marion, Ohio. He is asking for a variance for his pole barn for a mean height of 24'. The Zoning Code allows for 15' mean height. Mr. Caudill advised that there was an existing pole barn on the site and he was rebuilding on that site. Mr. Hunt asked how big the property was and Mr. Caudill explained it was 1 ½ acres. Jeff Cummins advised that a neighbor has a pole barn approximately the same height, but it had never come to the appeals board. Mr. Stewart asked if there were any plans to add buildings and Mr. Caudill advised no.

Todd Hunt made a motion to approve the variance request, and Charles Hall seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and all voted "yes". The public hearing was then concluded.

Chairman Rinker asked for the reading of the December 2025, meeting minutes. The minutes are corrected that Cindy Rinker is Chairperson for 2026. Jeff Hack made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected and Todd Hunt seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as corrected.

Communications: None received.

Old Business: Karen McCleary advised the Prosecutor's Office emailed that the Township can fine for violations of the Zoning Code per Ohio Revised Code. The question is how to collect the fines. Jeff Cummins advised he received requests for information on the Harding Heights apartments variance. The information may be obtained on the website.

New Business: Casey's gas station has contacted the secretary about a variance request for a sign. The request is for a sign above the tree line at 120'. Jeff Hack asked about interference with the airport.

Other Business: None discussed.

As there was no other business to discuss, Cindy Rinker made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Charles Hall seconded the motion.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 2, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Sidle
Secretary