

October 3, 2011

The Supervisors of Texas Township held a Public Hearing on the proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment. Present were Supervisors John McDonald, Don Doney, Allan Wickle, Secretary John Haggarty and Zoning Officer Steve Ostrander. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Chairman McDonald.

The Public hearing was being held for the proposed amendment to the Texas Township Zoning Ordinance. The amendment was to allow for mining and quarrying in the C-2 district. Both the Texas Township Planning Commission and the Wayne County Department of Planning has reviewed and made comments on the proposed amendment. The Texas Township Planning Commission recommended that the township amend the Zoning Ordinance to allow mining and quarrying as a "Conditional Use" in the C-2 District. This would allow mining and removal of earth material for site preparation in the C-2 District. Being a Conditional Use it would be reviewed and the decision made by the township supervisors. The Wayne County Department of Planning suggested three options that could accomplish the goal. The first was the same recommendation as the townships planning commission. The second was to allow mining and quarrying as Special Exception in the C-2 District and the third was to allow mining and quarrying as a permitted use in the C-2 District. Being a permitted use it would have to be reviewed and the decision made by the Texas Township Zoning officer based on specific criteria established in the zoning ordinance. Each project would have to submit an application for a Zoning Permit to the Texas Township Zoning Officer. A public hearing is not part of the process but the applicant would be required to meet all regulations as specified in the Zoning Ordinance for this use.

After reviewing all the recommendations and comments a motion was made by Supervisor Doney and seconded by Supervisor Wickle to amend the Texas Township Zoning Ordinance to allow mining and quarrying as a "permitted use" in the C-2 District.

The Amendment will read as follows:

The Texas Township Zoning Ordinance will be amended to allow mining and quarrying as a "Permitted Use" in the C-2 District. This will allow mining and quarrying and removal of earth material for site preparation in the C-2 District. Being a Permitted Use it would be reviewed and the decision made by the Texas Township Zoning Officer based on specific criteria established in the zoning ordinance. Each project that involved mining and quarrying would need to submit an application for a Zoning Permit to the Texas Township Zoning Officer. A public hearing is not part of the process, but the applicant would be required to meet all regulations as specified in the zoning ordinance for this use.

With no further business the hearing was adjourned at 7:10 P.M. on a motion by Supervisor Doney and seconded by Supervisor Wickle.

Secretary,

John Haggarty