

**Minutes of the Special Called Meeting
Of the Board of Zoning Appeals
Of the Town of Thompson's Station, Tennessee
September 23, 2008**

Board Member Present

Archie Buttrey
Mary Herring
Martha Irwin
Roger Nixon
Dale Stevens

Staff Members Present

Greg Langeliers, Town Administrator
Doug Goetsch, Town Recorder
Todd Moore, Town Attorney
Wendy Deats, Town Planner
Lisa Stewart, Town Clerk

Chairman Buttrey called the meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals of the Town of Thompson's Station to order at 6:30 p.m. on the 23rd day of September, 2008, at the Thompson's Station Community Center with the required quorum.

Minutes:

The minutes of the November 13, 2007 meeting were previously submitted and approved upon a motion by Mr. Nixon, seconded by Ms. Irwin; and passed unanimously.

Announcements by Staff:

Mr. Langeliers suggested discussion, after the agenda item, regarding community events and how this Board would like to handle them in the future.

Old Business:

There was none at this time.

Request for a Community Festival (Oktoberfest) to be held at 4738 Columbia Pike.

Mrs. Deats reviewed the report, a request for a special exception, recommending approval for the project.

Mr. Stevens asked the difference between this request and the craft fair held last week by the Thompson's Station Methodist Church. Mr. Langeliers stated that the church is on the Methodist site so it's considered an ancillary function of the church. If there had a been a building or church structure on the Lutheran site, it would not be reviewed by this body.

Public Hearing:

Chairman Buttrey opened the public hearing at this time. This public hearing was advertised on the Town website, postings around Town, and in the September 14th, 2008 edition of the *Williamson AM* newspaper.

Leonard Elsner, of 2808 Station South Drive, asked the hours and number of days of the event.

Mrs. Deats replied it would be Saturday, October 11th, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 pm.

There being no others wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

After further discussion, Mr. Stevens made a motion granting approval of the requested event. Ms. Irwin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Other New Business:

Mr. Langeliers explained variables relating to driveways, parking, traffic, etc. that are considered for this type of request, and asked if this Board would prefer to continue reviewing all the requests or set up Staff-level approval criteria for some.

Mr. Stevens stated that he would like for it to remain as is, with all being reviewed by this Board.

Ms. Irwin said that she is comfortable with the process and being able to assist Staff whenever possible.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:40 p.m.

Archie Buttrey, Chairman

Attest:

Mary Herring, Secretary

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