

Board of Zoning Appeals

Thursday, March 12, 2020

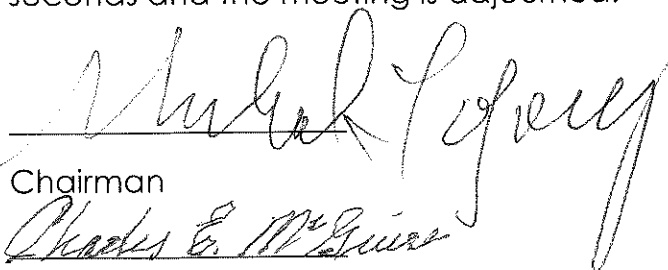
Members Present: Neal Allman, Perry King, Charles McGuire, Mike Young and filling in for attorney Mr. Lee is Cam Starnes.

Mike Young calls the meeting to order and calls for a motion on the previous minutes. Perry King motions to approve the minutes, Charles McGuire seconds the motion and it is passed 4-0.

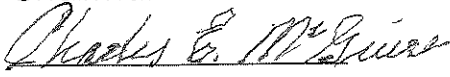
The first item on the agenda is for a special exception at North County Line Road and Heartland Boulevard. This item has been continued.

The next item on the agenda is for a variance request to allow an electronic messaging sign at Neil Armstrong Elementary School, 1000 State Road 144. Jonathon Polson of Banning Engineering presents on behalf of Mooresville Schools requesting a variance for the electronic sign to be placed within 500 ft of a signalized intersection and within 30 ft of residential use. Fred Freeman with Freeman Signs explains that all the features can be programmed to best fit the needs of the schools. Neal Allman asks questions regarding the speed limit in the area before Mike asks for further questions from the board or audience. Randy Taylor of Mooresville schools addresses the option of working with law enforcement to reduce the speed limit in the area where the sign would be. Mary Vickers of 1111 State Road 144 brings up concerns with the sign being distracting and would likely cause additional accidents. Neal Allman clarifies the proximity to the school and agrees with Ms. Vickers that the sign could pose a distraction to drivers. Mr. Polson mentions that in a 2013 study, there were inconclusive results that electronic signs lead to an increase of motor accidents. Perry King further discusses that there are already several electronic signs in town that are placed near intersections including CVS, St. Francis, and Walgreens. Charles McGuire motions to approve both variances of electronic sign usage within 500 ft of a signalized intersection and 30 ft from abutting residential use. Perry King seconds the motions. The motion is carried 3-1.

With no new business to report, Perry King motions to adjourn, Neal Allman seconds and the meeting is adjourned.



Chairman



Secretary