

**Huntingburg Board of Zoning Appeals**  
**Minutes of the Regular Meeting**  
**Wednesday, January 26, 2022, at 5:30 P.M. Local Time**

The Huntingburg Board of Zoning Appeals met in regular session on Wednesday, January 26, 2022, at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers at the Huntingburg City Hall. Members present were Dave Schipp, Todd Humbert, Ronald Mundy, Riley Schumacher and Primo Nino, Others present included: Planning Director, Paul Lake and petitioner's representatives: Scott B. Elpers and S. Doug Barnett.

The Board conducted its annual election of officers for 2022. A motion was made by Dave Schipp to elect Primo Nino as Board President. Seconded by Ronald Mundy. Motion carried 5 – 0. A motion was made by Primo Nino for Todd Humbert to serve as Vice President. Seconded by Ronald Mundy. Motion carried 5 – 0. A motion was made by Ronald Mundy for Riley Schumacher to serve as Secretary. Motion carried 5 – 0.

The Minutes of the December 15, 2021, Board of Zoning Appeals meeting were reviewed and a motion to approve as presented was made by Dave Schipp and seconded by Todd Humbert. The minutes for the December 15, 2021, Board of Zoning Appeals meeting were approved.

Planning Director Paul Lake introduced petition, # 2021-04(V), to the Board. The petitioner is MHD Holdings which owns and operates the Arby's located at 311 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street. They are requesting a Standards Variance from the Huntingburg Unified Development Ordinance Chapter 3.I.3.c.i for the said property. The petitioner is currently allowed 114 total square feet of sign face and is requesting a variance to allow for 131.4 square feet of sign face. This will allow for installation of a message board on the pole sign currently installed. An Example of the sign & location was provided to the Board prior to tonight's meeting. Proof of Mailing to Interested Parties and Publication of Notice of Public Hearing have been confirmed by Paul. Paul indicated that only a single email had been received that is opposed to the electronic sign. A copy of that has been provided to all Board Members. The opposition was related to brightness and 3<sup>rd</sup> party use of the sign. The Board opened the public hearing at 5:43 p.m. Board members asked questions related to the 3<sup>rd</sup> party use of the sign, how messages would be changed and brightness levels. The petitioner's representatives indicate that no 3<sup>rd</sup> party use would be allowed and that sign brightness levels would be per the Huntingburg Code. The older technology of sign boards with letters which had to be manually changed are

no longer practical. The electronic message board to be installed is also the only American made sign of this type. There being no further questions from the Board, and no other remonstrators present, the public hearing was closed at 5:53 p.m.

A motion to approve the variance request was made by Dave Schipp and seconded by Riley Schumacher. The variance was approved 5 – 0.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Todd Humbert and seconded by Primo Nino. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:04 P.M.

Submitted by: Riley Schumacher  
Secretary

Approved by: Primo Nino Date: 5-19-22  
President