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**Meeting Minutes for August 20, 2018**

**Members Present:** Greg Matt, John Wilson, George Byer, Mike Skinner

**Staff Present:** Kenny Pfof, Martin Bedrock

The August 20, 2018 Board of Zoning Appeals meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by President Greg Matt. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted, and Roll Call was performed.

Member Wilson made a motion to approve the June 18, 2018 minutes. Member Skinner seconded the motion. Carried 4-0.

**Old Business:** Member Wilson brought up enforcement of the outdoor display ordinance, specifically regarding Smith Farm Store. Wilson noted that Smith Farm Store was not living up to the requirements set forth in the variance granted to the store. The fence has fallen over, the dumpster is not enclosed although it is specifically supposed to be out of public view. Bedrock asked if it's an annual variance, Wilson did not know – Pfof is to check on that issue.

Bedrock noted that Tractor Supply Company has trailers in the parking lot in front of the store, and asked if they have a permit for that.

President Matt questioned if there is enough parking at Smith Farm Store due to the store's square footage. Wilson believes that was allowed, but does have concerns that the terms of the variance are not being met due to the fencing and outdoor storage.

Matt noted that the BZA has the right to have Smith Farm Store take down their outdoor greenhouse every year. Wilson advised that would need to be researched as Smith may have previously been granted permission to use the greenhouse as storage.

Matt addressed a property on the southeast corner of Main and Delaware, where a temporary garage

structure has been erected, but is damaged. Specifically, it's been cut with a razor blade. Cannot have a permit for that temporary structure due to it's damaged condition.

Wilson asked if the Knox School Corporation has a permit to pave the parking lot to the west of the middle school, the lot used by the SCILL center, where a bulldozer has been in use. Member Byer added a question as to whether the school ever had a permit to put up the steel fence that was made by the SCILL center.

Matt addressed the house on the northeast corner of Pearl and Lake St, which is now bearing a sign that says "Haven House." Matt noted that the owner had moved a family into the property from Mishawaka, and questioned the living accommodations, room square footages, are they within ordinance for living quarters? Matt noted that the owner had told Pfof that he was planning to do drug rehab at the property. Permit?

Member Wilson made a motion to adjourn, Member Skinner seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20pm.

No New Business discussed.