

**Minutes: Russell Township Zoning Commission
Russell Township Community Room
August 26, 2026**

Present Barry Rogers
Jim Dickinson
Shannon Stanich
Chris Stormann

Regrets: Nathan Wynveen
Also in attendance Bonnie Guyer, Zoning Secretary

Agenda:

I. Call to Order: 6:00 p.m.

II. Public Hearing

Public Meeting Notice published on August 6, 2026, in Chagrin Valley Times & Mapleleaf as well as the Township website.

Barry Rogers moved to open the public meeting for proposed zoning resolution amendments ZC 2026-1. Mr. Dickinson seconded the motion. Upon the roll being called, the vote was Mr. Dickinson – yes; Ms. Stanich-yes; Dr. Stormann; Mr. Rogers – yes.

The Zoning Resolution amendments and Planning Commission comments were reviewed.

Section 2 – Planning Commission recommended contacting the APA in regard to the Licensed Residential Facility definition. The APA recommended using the original definition.

Section 3.2 – Zoning Commission members agreed with The Planning Commission's recommended verbiage.

Section 4.18 – Planning Commission recommended not including 5 (b) and (c) or 7. Zoning commission removed some verbiage in 6 (c) but did not agree with removal.

Public Comment - none

Mr. Dickinson moved to close the public hearing for proposed zoning resolution amendments ZC2026-1. Ms. Stanich seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Barry Rogers moved the adoption of the following motion:

That the Russell Township Zoning Commission recommend the approval of the proposed amendment to the Russell Township Zoning Resolution as attached hereto: Section 2; Section 3.2; Section 4.18. Dr. Stormann seconded the motion and the vote was: Mr. Dickinson – yes; Ms. Stanich-yes; Dr. Stormann – yes; Mr. Rogers – yes.

Form 32 which states; The Russell Township Zoning Commission submits the attached recommendation on the proposed amendment, identified as number ZC 2026-1, to the Russell Township Zoning Resolution together with the attached resolution, and text pertaining thereto and the attached recommendation of the Geauga County Planning Commission to the Russell Township Board of Township Trustees, was signed by Zoning Commission members and submitted to the Township Trustees on September 3rd.

III. Announcements

- Northeast Ohio Planning & Zoning Workshop will take place on August 28 at the Lodge, Geneva Date Park.

IV. Review and Accept April Minutes

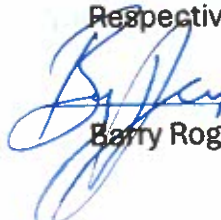
June 24, 2026, minutes were reviewed and there were no additional comments.

Mr. Dickinson motioned to accept June 24, 2026, minutes. Dr. Stormann seconded the motion and upon roll call the vote was Mr. Dickinson-abstain; Dr. Stormann-yes; Mr. Wynveen-yes; Mr. Rogers-yes. The motion passed.

V. Adjourn

There being no other business Chairman Rogers adjourned the meeting at 7:00pm.

Respectively Submitted,

 9-23-26
Barry Rogers, Chairman, Date

 9-23-2026
Bonnie Guyer, Zoning Secretary, Date