

Village of Windham, Ohio

Minutes of Public Hearing – Ordinance O-2016-24

Held January 17, 2017

At 5:47 p.m. Honorable Mayor Deborah Blewitt called the meeting to order and stated the reason for this Public Hearing is to allow for discussion upon Ordinance O-2016-24.

Roll Call: Sandy Patti – present Sheila Moore – present
 Scott Garrett – absent Cheryl Taylor – present
 Phil Snyder – present

Also present were: Daniel Henderson, Tom Brett, Lori Lee, and Eric Breiding.

Mayor Blewitt opened the floor to the public for discussion and questions about Ordinance O-2016-24. Daniel Henderson asked what changes Ordinance O-2016-24 was going to enact in the fencing code. Tom Brett explained that Ordinance O-2016-24 is only changing the fence height in regards to swimming pools. Ordinance O-2016-24 will change the height of a fence around a swimming pool from a minimum of 6 feet to 4 feet. It will also change the allowable gaps in fencing from 3 inches to 4 inches. Ms. Moore explained that most residents in the Village that have pools have a 4 foot fence around their pools and it was probably something that was overlooked years back, however if a resident wants to put in a new pool, they would currently be required to put up a 6 foot fence because that is the current fencing code regulations. When in fact most residents that have existing pools only have a 4 foot fence and Council is trying to make everything fair and uniform. Ms. Moore said she did research on surrounding communities' fencing codes and she found that the majority of these communities fencing codes for swimming pools are 4 feet and the allowable gaps are 4 inches.

Ms. Patti made a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Taylor and carried by a 4 – 0 vote at 5:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Attest,

Cheree M. Taylor, Clerk of Council

Deborah L. Blewitt, Mayor

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