A meeting of the Zoning Ordinance Review Committee was held on Wednesday, August 16, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. in the meeting room at the Richland Borough Building.

The Committee Meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m.

Present were President Kelly Bricker, Secretary Rebecca Schnoke, Zoning Officer Glenn Bertolet, and Urban Research & Development Consultant Charlie Schmehl.

Urban Research & Development Consultant Charlie Schmehl advised that the purpose of the Borough Planning Committee appointed at the August 8, 2023, monthly Council meeting is to review the draft ordinance and to present the new zoning ordinance draft at a public meeting. The public meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 20, 2023, at the Neptune Fire Company. The public meeting will start at 7:00pm with an open house starting at 6:30pm for residents to informally ask questions before the meeting. Charlie Schmehl stated he will have a summary of the ordinance to pass out to attendees and that he will prepare the legal advertisement to be published in the Lebanon Daily News. Secretary Schnoke advised she will post the draft of the new zoning ordinance on the Borough website for review and hard copies will be available for the cost of production at the Borough Office.

Charlie Schmehl provided draft copies of the new zoning ordinance and pointed out that all significant changes made are in italics. Charlie Schmehl pointed out a couple highlights including, there are two pages providing guidance on how to use the zoning ordinance, page 3 details the purposes of zoning districts, page 6 contains the use table, page 22 has dimensional requirements, page 127 contains zoning hearing board Hearing notice requirements, and the zoning map is not changing. Brief review of changes and discussion occurred.

Charlie Schmehl advised on future actions needed, a signed attested copy of the new zoning ordinance will need to be forwarded to the Lebanon County law library before presented at the second public meeting, date for second public meeting cannot be established until feedback is received from the September 20, 2023, public meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Rebecca Schnoke, Richland Borough Secretary