

BIRCH RUN ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
JANUARY 21, 2003

Chairperson Mike Marr called the special meeting of the Birch Run Zoning Board of Appeals to order at 7:00 pm. Also present for the Zoning Board were Jerry Cook and Dennis Bronner. Others present were Mike Setzer, Zoning Administrator and Mike Kern. Variance request 2003-01 submitted by Mr. Kern of Dixie Motor Speedway requested the Zoning Board of Appeal grant a variance for the following items:

1. Install lighting fixtures at 100 ft in height to light the track
2. Relocate three (3) fifty (50) foot poles to the pit area.

Mike Kern and a Representative from Qualite presented the proposal for the lighting of the Dixie Motor Speedway. Included in the presentation was a diagram showing light intensities at 150 ft and 300 ft from the track.

The current ordinance regarding lighting is found in chapter 4 section 407, which states, " Parking area and other exterior on-site lighting fixtures shall not exceed a height of twelve (12) feet when located within two hundred (200) ft of a residential district, and further may not exceed twenty-four (24) feet otherwise. Exterior lighting shall be so arranged so that it is deflected away from adjacent residential districts and adjacent streets."

Public comment

Motion by Jerry Cook supported by Mike Marr to table the Variance request 2003-01 for a maximum 45 days.

Motion carried 3-0

Mr. Kern was asked to supply supporting data to ensure compliance of Township Ordinances. He was also asked to do a study with 24-foot poles and the current 50-foot poles to determine the light levels at those heights.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.