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## **PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES**

A Public Hearing was held on April 21, 2015 at 7:25 PM in the Council Chambers, Municipal Building to rezone 222 Center Street from R-3 Single Family High Density to C-1 Local Commercial District for the property situated in the City of Findlay (Ordinance No. 2015-027).

Situated in the City of Findlay, County of Hancock, State of Ohio, and being a part of the south part of the NW ¼ of Section 18, T1N, R11E.

A complete legal description is available in the Council Office.

President Slough asked if anyone wished to address Council.

Wayne Pneuman (Center for Autism and Dyslexia), petition for this rezone, clarified what his intent for the property is. They no longer occupy the building. They have a larger school out in Timberstone. They would like to obtain a C-1 zoning for this property primarily because it opens the flexibility to other businesses to occupy the space. The property has a long history of variances going back a number of years. C-1 would also keep with the spirit of the neighborhood. There are a lot of small businesses up and down Center Street. He does not feel C-1 zoning would disrupt the neighborhood. They are concerned about what types of businesses will come to the area, so they will not sell to anyone with a questionable business.

Mary Thompson, 217 Cherry Street (behind the school), noted that when the school occupied the building, it wasn't too bad except that there were too many cars causing parking overflow into the alley in which the Police Department never took care of. If a business goes back into the building, it needs to be a business that only can occupy the amount parking areas that they have. A 9am-5pm business would be ideal. There is more traffic in that alley than there is on either street (Taylor and Clinton) because it is used as a by-through for speeders. There are small children in that area. When she is outside, she can hear cars speeding through. Cars do not have to stop on the one-way, but there is a stop sign the other way, but no one stops.

John Copus, 212 and 214 Center Street, does not object to C-1 zoning, but does object to C-2 zoning. As Ms. Thompson stated, there are cars parking on the property and traffic going down through there. The traffic has always sped the street in which he has a letter to the Traffic Commission asking for a stop sign.

President Slough adjourned the Public Hearing at 7:30 PM

Clerk of Council

President of Council James Slough