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Town of Whitestown
Board of Zoning Appeals

Establishment and Membership:
According to Indiana Code (IC 36-7-4-901), when a zoning ordinance is adopted, the Indiana Code requires that a Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) be created.

The Whitestown Board of Zoning Appeals (WBZA) is made up of five citizens. 3 of them are appointed by the Town Council President, 1 by the Town Council and 1 by the Whitestown Plan Commission. Each member serves a four year term.

Duties:
As a quasi-judicial body, the WBZA provides a "safety valve" through which land owners can seek relief from strict application of a zoning ordinance. Further, the BZA functions to give greater assurance that zoning is fair and equitable, that it is properly interpreted, and does not cause excessive hardship.

Powers and duties of the WBZA include: To hear and determine appeals from and review any order, requirement, decision, or determination made by an administrative official, staff member, or board charged with the enforcement of a zoning ordinance; To hear and determine special uses as detailed by terms of the zoning ordinance; and, To authorize variances from the zoning ordinance in certain cases.

Current Board Members and Terms:

Whitestown BZA Membership 2015				
Name	**WPC/Non-WPC**	**Appointment By**	**Term Start**	**Term End**
Sarah Ford	WPC Member	Council President	1/1/2014	1/1/2018
Bryan McKee	Non-WPC Member	Council President	1/13/2016	1/1/2020
Kyle Weathers	Non-WPC Member	Council President	1/1/2014	1/1/2018
Matt Doublestein	Non-WPC Member	Town Council	1/1/2015	1/1/2019
Bryan Sheward	WPC Member	WPC	1/1/2015	1/1/2019
Chairman – Matt Doublestein		Vice Chairman – Kyle Weathers		Planner - Lauren Bailey
Attorney - John Molitor				