

Bethlehem Township Zoning  
Appeals Minutes

June 12th 2023

The Bethlehem Township Board of Appeals met on Monday June 12th 2023, 8pm at the township hall. The meeting was called to order by Bill Warner. The meeting was opened by the pledge of Allegiance. Four board members were present by roll call: Henry Cochran, Bill Warner, Chris Simmons, & Dennis Wheeler. Also, in attendance was Zoning Secretary Megan Colucy and Zoning Inspector Ed Cochran.

The first matter of business to come before the meeting was to approve the previous minutes of the Zoning Appeals meeting, held March 13th 2023. Dennis Wheeler motioned to accept the minutes. Henry Cochran seconded the motion, and it was approved by unanimous vote.

Inspector Ed has contacted the prosecuting attorney Jessica about the wedding venue. Several neighbors are saying they still have events at the property. And have now partnered with Fire and Fig. They do not have any permits from the township to hold events at the property. Ed is seeing if the prosecuting attorney can help the township to see what else we can do since they already have a cease and disease order from the township.

Renewals for upcoming conditional permits will be coming up for several properties. Ed will see which ones need to get 2 year renewal so we can get those sent out so we can vote on renewal.

Nathan Simmons has an application for a variance from 6ft fence to lockable safety pool cover. The legal notice was placed in the paper. The Appeals board will be voting on this tonight.

Henry motioned to approve the permit. Dennis seconded it.

All in favor: Bill yes, Henry yes, Dennis yes

Chris Simmons was not able to vote on this because this would be a bias decision  
Variance permit is approved.

Ed said Fiscal Officer Jody Matics had ordered 50 new Bethlehem Township Zoning Resolution Books since everything was updated in it through regional planning.

Ed said he needs to send out new certified letters to properties that still have violations so we can get the prosecuting attorney involved in these properties, if they do not get them cleaned up in accordance with the Bethlehem Township Residential Property Maintenance Code.

Jeff Lantzer 6625 Florence Ave SW Navarre Oh 44662 Ed is dealing with this property because Jeff wants to put a building for his business on 6614 Florence Ave SW Navarre and he does not have any permits filled out to do this. Ed will keep us up to date on what is going on with this property.

Henry motioned to close the meeting. Chris seconded it. Meeting was closed at 8:37pm.

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Chairman - Bill Warner

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Zoning Secretary - Megan Colucy