

The Bethlehem Township Board of Appeals met on Monday, March 14th, 2022, pm at the township hall. The meeting was called to order by Henry Cochran. The meeting was opened by the pledge of Allegiance. Three board members were present by roll call: Dennis Wheeler, Bill Warner, and Henry Cochran. Also, in attendance was Zoning Secretary Megan Colucy. Inspector Ed Cochran was absent.

The first matter of business to come before the meeting was to approve the previous minutes of the Zoning Appeals meeting, held January 31st, 2022. Dennis Wheeler motioned to accept the minutes. Bill seconded the motion, and it was approved by unanimous vote.

Board members have decided that they are not able to approve the application for the barn into a wedding venue at Cory & Amber Zwick property. Certain qualifications will need to be met before we can approve the permit. The Zwick's have not started anything from the Bethlehem Township Zoning Resolution book (referencing page 78 #136) therefore until board sees an initial county, and /or State of Ohio health, building, electrical and other applicable codes the board will have to wait to approve permit for the barn/wedding venue.

Board members have made a motion for the zoning secretary to have a letter sent to the Zwick's stating why they cannot approve the wedding venue. In the letter it will reference sections of the Bethlehem Township Zoning Resolution that state the criteria that needs to be performed in order to proceed and approve the Zwick's application for the barn wedding venue at their property. Board members would also like the zoning secretary to attach a copy of the section that we are referencing in the Township Resolution book (pages 78 & 79 #'s 136, 139, & 140) so that the Zwick's are fully aware of what the board members need in order to approve their permit. Letter will be checked by all board members before it is sent to the Zwick's to make sure it states everything the board is requesting to be done before permit can be approved. Letter will be sent one regular mail and one certified mail for board members and zoning secretary records.

Motion for Zoning Secretary to make a letter with the necessary information in it and attached to it for the Zwick's Barn/Wedding Venue.

Roll call: Dennis Wheeler yes Bill Warner yes Henry Cochran yes

Dennis motioned to close the meeting. Bill seconded it and it was approved by unanimous vote. Meeting was closed at 8:03pm.

Chairman – Henry Cochran

Zoning Secretary – Megan Colucy