

The Bethlehem Township Board of Appeals met Monday January 27, 2020 7pm at the township hall. The meeting was called to order by Dennis Wheeler. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Four members were present with roll call: Dennis Wheeler, William Warner, Larry Lallathin, and Henry Cochran. Tom Newell was absent. Inspector Ed Cochran was present.

December 9th 2019 minutes were read. William Warner motion to accept minutes. Larry Lallathin seconded.

Trustees voted to change the two year conditional permits, that once it is certified that the permit will be an existing lasting permit. Dennis & Bill stated that the trustees can not change the condition. Trustees can have it so there is no additional payment after the first initial permit fee. But they can not vote to remove a two year conditional permit that is what the appeals board is for. These permits are established every two years for businesses that are in rural/residential areas for neighbors in case there becomes a problem. Bill Warner said everything is stated in the Bethlehem Township Zoning Book pages 69 & 70. Dennis said he is going to have to go to the next trustee meeting and have to discuss this with the trustees about them making the conditional permits only being a one time permit. Ed said he will make sure he follows up with the prosecutors office and then the trustees.

The Solar Commercial Project in Bolivar does not fit in business zoning but it does fit in the industrial zoning. Only thing is if we zone all 300 acres industrial it stays that way and neighbors may not like what moves in on that property. We can make a resolution and have controls on zoning to just the area they are going to use. We need to have a meeting with all the boards with the representatives of this bolivar solar company. Ed will try to set something up and get back with us on this.

Ed updated the Board with some information happening in the township: Beth Mobile Home is getting a new extended water line run from Canton City through the park and the park goes through the township. Pipeline workers are in the township where it's already a right away area for them on the town line. Ed had contacted the prosecutor about that trailer being towed off the property on Brinker. Need a legal attorney to have it moved from property. Dave Miller property the guy is still staying at the property. He has not cleaned anything up at the property and looks like he's throwing things off the back of the property into the canal. Will need to check into this more to make sure he is not dumping anything into the canal and pursue cleaning up the rest of his place.

Bill Warner said there is a place off of Kemary across from the old junk yard that used to be there is an old smashed up car by the road. Need to see what is going on with that and get it removed.

Ed had two new applications for house numbers and one for a land split in the township.

Larry Lallathin motioned to close the meeting. Henry Cochran seconded. Meeting closed at 7:58pm.

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Dennis Wheeler - Chairman

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Megan Colucy -Zoning Secretary

