

**HARDWICK TOWNSHIP PLANNING/LAND USE BOARD
JULY 12, 2018**

There was the regular meeting of the Hardwick Township Planning/Land Use Board on Thursday, July 12, 2018. The meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m. by Chairman Walter Ribitzki. He led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance and he stated that proper notice of this meeting has been given in compliance with the "Open Public Meetings Act".

ROLL CALL:

The following Planning Board Members were present: Mayor Kevin Duffy, Jim McKim, John Lovell, Lori Gold, Edwin Fisher, Alt. #1 William Hughes, Richard Ohl, Fred Butcher, and Walter Ribitzki. Board Members absent: Alfred Carrazzone, Alt. #2 Cynthia Caffrey, Alt #3 Daniel Rivara, and Alt #4 Richard Matrisciano. Also present: Board Engineer Ted Rodman and Alternate Attorney Tom Prol.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Copies of the minutes of the meeting of June 14, 2018, were distributed to all Board Members prior to the meeting. Mr. Fisher noted two minor corrections.

Mr. McKim made the motion to approve the minutes of June 14, 2018, as amended. Motion seconded by Mr. Fisher. In a roll call vote, all were in favor.

OTHER:

PAIC-Land Use Liability

Chairman Ribitzki stated that this issue was discussed earlier tonight and a DVD will be sent to the Board so that it can be presented at the next meeting.

Slabtown Creek Park

Mr. McKim addressed the recommendations being made by the Open Space Committee. He stated that they are suggesting a staged approach with a detailed plan. Mr. Lovell presented a drawing and described the property. He stated that the Open Space Committee is recommending a trail system and the pros and cons were discussed. Also Rules and Regulations/Use Plan Facility will need to be implemented. The Board also discussed donated benches and/or Scout projects.

NEW BUSINESS:

#18-001 Andrew and Mary Smith, Block 1001, Lot 12.02

Chairman Ribitzki reviewed that this matter was deemed complete at the June meeting. Andrew and Mary Smith were sworn in. Mr. Smith reviewed that they are requesting a rear yard setback variance. He then went on to outline the reasons for their request. Attorney Prol confirmed that notice was provided. Chairman Ribitzki reviewed that the Applicant would have to come back for variance relief for any other additional house modifications/structures, since the 100 feet setback is required for both Principal and Accessory structures. Mr. Smith acknowledged that they are aware of that. The Board discussed the procedure once the variance is granted. Mr. Hughes asked about screening and the Board continued to discuss the matter.

Mr. Lovell made the motion to grant the variance as requested and discussed this evening. Motion seconded by Ms. Gold. Discussion on the motion: Attorney Prol reviewed the possible conditions of an approval. In a roll call vote, all were in favor.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Zoning Map Update

Board Engineer Rodman briefly touched on the Zoning Map correction and how the mistake can be corrected.

BILLS: The following vouchers were submitted for payment:

Ted Rodman - General 66.50

Mr. Hughes made the motion to approve the bill. Motion seconded by Mr. Lovell. In a roll call vote, all were in favor.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

No public.

ADJOURNMENT:

In a motion made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted:

Alfia Schemm
Board Secretary
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