



TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON

Office of the Township Manager

MEETING NOTES

June 6, 2019 4:03 p.m.

TO: Richard J. Manfredi, Township Manager

DATE: JUNE 6, 2019

SUBJECT: VPRB MEETING

REFERENCE: VPRB MEETING OF JUNE 6, 2019

ATTENDEES: BOB GREAVES, CHAIRMAN, COMMISSIONER SPIEGELMAN, MARK PENECALE, PLANNING & ZONING OFFICIAL, SHAWN LITTLEFIELD, CATHY GAUTHIER, LORENA TRUJILLO, DAVID FORBES, MARIA WYRSTA, OFFICE MANAGER, DAVID BANKER, RESIDENT, LORA LEHMANN, RESIDENT

SUMMARY: AS FOLLOWS

General Discussion:

Introduction of new member David Forbes.

April meeting notes were approved.

Status of prior waiver recommendations; waiting for approval by Township Manager's Office.

Open House event; a meeting was held with members of the EDC and Planning Commission and they were onboard, but details need to be worked out. Next step is to work on photos/info of each vacant property along with a sample "letter of interest" to be reviewed by the VPRB that would request feedback from participants such as property owners/developers to see if there is interest. Suggested was a Main Street Manager to handle vacant property matters that will be discussed further. EDC previously discussed LERTA at its meeting and a member of the EDC has been meeting with Township Manager about it. It is legislation that would need to be approved by the School Board and by the Board of Commissioners. It was questioned whether additional properties should be added to LERTA.

Site updates; property located at 968 Old York Road has been sold; properties located at 1170 and 1180 Easton Road has been leased; however, there is a mold issue. Property owner of property located at Township Line Road near Zane Avenue owes back taxes for 2018 and the site is cluttered with junk along with high grass and citations were issued. Property owner of 1145 Easton Road has applied for a U & O for an Asian Restaurant. Property of 878 Township Line Road; registration letter was sent with no response.

There were no new waiver requests and VPRB webpage was updated.

Next VPRB meeting will be held on August 1, 2019.

Meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Action Items and Responsibility:

Approval by Township Manager's Office of waiver recommendations.

Items for proposed open house event will be completed and reviewed by the VPRB.