



TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON

Office of the Township Manager

MEETING NOTES

August 1, 2019 4 p.m.

TO: Richard J. Manfredi, Township Manager

DATE: AUGUST 1, 2019

SUBJECT: VPRB MEETING

REFERENCE: MEETING NOTES OF VPRB MEETING OF AUGUST 1, 2019

ATTENDEES: BOB GREAVES, CHAIRMAN, COMMISSIONER SPIEGELMAN, MARK PENECALE, PLANNING & ZONING OFFICER, SHAWN LITTLEFIELD, DAVID FORBES, MEMBER, CATHY GAUTHIER, MEMBER, MARIA WYRSTA, OFFICE MANAGER, JASON PAUL, RESIDENT, LORA LEHMANN, RESIDENT

SUMMARY: AS FOLLOWS

General Discussion:

June meeting notes were approved.

Status of waiver recommendations; two pending approvals have been signed off by the Manager's Office, which are for 966, 968 Old York Road and 864-872 Township Line Road. Commissioner Spiegelman will check with Township Manager and Township Solicitor as to whether (per the ordinance) that he could serve as a proxy to sign off on any future waiver recommendations to streamline the process. There are four waiver requests that were not recommended by the VPRB; however, awaiting direction from the Manager's Office. Also, there are waiver requests for properties of 1400 Easton Road and 1154 Bradfield Road that will be sent to the Manager's Office for approval.

Open house update; work is in progress and a report will be provided next month.

Site Updates; At Home was issued a Use & Occupancy, so that property has been taken off the list; 1829 Davisville Road is a garage rented for storage of classic cars, and if they are paying business tax and it is a lease, this property will be removed from the list and there will be follow-up. Properties located at 1170-1180 Easton Road both signed leases have fallen through and are on hold. 878 Township Line Road submitted a revised ZHB application/plan that was filed for a convenient store and not a gas station and the ZHB meeting is scheduled for August 20th. Living Word Lutheran Church needs a U & O and the thrift store that is now located where the food cupboard used to be is occupying two spaces; 1400 Easton Road waiting on waiver approval; 1554 Easton Road renovated upstairs apartment and office on first floor is in progress; 1933 Easton Road citations issued to owner; 1154 Bradfield Road waiting on waiver approval; 925 Easton Road received phone call from architect who wants to put a grocery store there and citations were issued for exterior maintenance; 1825 Old York Road permits were issued for Asian takeout restaurant; 103 Township Line is going to Sheriff's Sale with citation pending and 1145 Easton Road has been taken off the list.

There were no new waiver requests.

Next VPRB meeting is scheduled for September 5, 2019.

Meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Action Items and Responsibility:

Open House progress report provided at September meeting.