

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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MINUTES OF ELLSWORTH TWP BOARD OF TRUSTEE'S

SPECIAL MEETING

JULY 2, 2015

A special meeting of the Ellsworth Board of Trustee's was held for the purpose of considering proposed amendments to the Ellsworth Township Zoning Resolution and Map initiated by Resolution of the Ellsworth Township Board of Trustees.

Chairman Bob Toman called the July 2, 2015 special meeting of the Ellsworth Trustees to order at 5:02 p.m. A roll call was taken to establish a quorum: Trustee Fredrick Houston – present, Vice Chairman William Spellman – present, and Chairman Robert Toman – present. Also present were Fiscal Officer James DeCenso, Zoning Inspector Wayne Sarna, Legal Counsel Tonya Rogers and seven visitors, including Ellsworth Zoning Commission members Sean Giblin and Jim Tripp. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Chairman Toman explained that the purpose of the meeting was for the Board of Trustees to hold a public hearing on the proposed Zoning Resolution as it was sent back to the Trustees from the Zoning Commission with recommendations. This hearing will allow the Trustees to listen to public comment and then the Board of Trustees will either 1) Adopt the Resolution with the recommendations of the Ellsworth Township Zoning Commission, 2) Deny the Resolution or 3) Modify and adopt the Resolution with the recommendations of the Ellsworth Township Zoning Commission.

Chairman Toman then opened the floor to the audience. One visitor encouraged the Trustees to utilize any advice of the township's legal counsel who has been involved with this Zoning Resolution from the very beginning. Other comments included changing the noted setbacks of the front, side and rear from 65 feet (front), 20 feet (side) and 20 feet (rear) to 50 feet from the street right-a-way for the front, and 50 feet each for the sides and rear. There was also discussion between the audience and the Trustees that this resolution fits well within the recently adopted Ellsworth Township Land Use Plan.

The Trustees then discussed the issues and determined that there has been good public input at every phase that this Resolution has gone through. They also concurred that this Resolution and the Land Use Plan fit well together. Mr. Wayne Sarna, Zoning Inspector, advised the Trustees that his research indicates that these setbacks are commonly used in other townships and give good protection to the surrounding property owners.

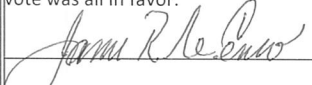
After offering the Audience additional time for comments, Chairman Toman asked the Board for a motion. With that, Trustee Spellman made a motion to accept the Resolution with the following modifications:

Setbacks shall be: 1) Front: There shall be a Front yard setback of no less than 50 (fifty) feet, measured from the street right-a-way. 2) Side: There shall be a Side yard setback of no less than 50 (fifty) feet measured from the property line. 3) Rear: There shall be a Rear yard setback of no less than 50 (fifty) feet measured from the property line.

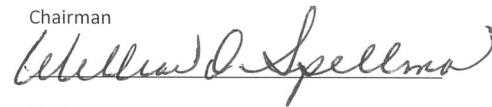
Trustee Houston seconded the motion. The vote was all in favor.

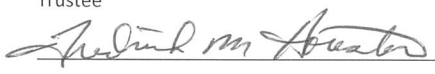
After some brief discussion with legal counsel to confirm that the process was recorded properly, the Resolution was certified with the signature of the Fiscal Officer.

At 6:05 p.m. Trustee Spellman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Houston seconded the motion. The vote was all in favor.


Fiscal Officer


Chairman


Trustee


Trustee