Conewago Township Zoning Board Minutes

March 12, 2012

Members present were Earl Miller, Sharon Beck, David Clouser, and Hanson Quickel. Margret Burg was absent. Attorney John Elliot provided legal counsel for the ZHB.

The November 14, 2011 ZHB Minutes were approved as amended. There was no old business.

Reorganization was held with the following results: Chairman- Earl Miller, Vice-Chairman-Sharon Beck, Secretary- David Clouser.

New Business-Case No. 01-2012 Joshua and Jenna Henise's request for an interpretation/variance pursuant to section 305.a concerning public water and a variance to 305.e pursuant to building setback requirements for a new dwelling at 155 Weire Road, York, Pa. Daniel Creep and Clyde Sweitzer provided evidence for the case.

The property was purchased in November 2011. It has approximately 4 acres. The preexisting house is being removed because of structural defects. The zoning ordinance for Village zone requires water and sewer. Public water is not connected to this property. Front setbacks for Village zone are limited to five to fifteen feet. The applicant requests a variance to allow up to forty feet front setback due to safety concerns and also to allow the new dwelling to use existing driveway and parking. This would greatly reduce the need to install more impervious blacktop. The applicant requested the interpretation/variance for section 305.a be removed from Case No. 01-2012.

Zoning Officer Fritz Neufeld testified the township no longer requires public water hook-up.

The Planning Commission recommended approval of the variance to alter the front set-back.

David Clouser made a motion to remove from Case No. 01-2012 the request for an interpretation/variance for section 305.a. Sharon Beck seconded. The motion carried.

David Clouser made a motion to grant the applicants request for a variance to section 305.e regarding the proposed new dwelling subject to the following condition- The front setback for the proposed new dwelling can be no more than forty feet. Sharon Beck seconded. The motion carried.

There was no further business and the meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

David Clouser, Secretary