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BOWLING GREEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Held December 9, 2014

Bowling Green Township Board of trustees opened this appeals board public hearing at 6:30pm with roll call. All trustees and Fiscal Officer (FO) were present.

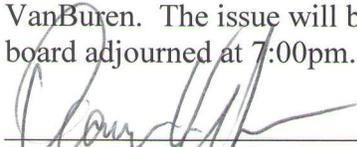
VISITORS: Patty Volland, Barb Selegue (zoning inspector-ZI), Jack Hedges, Iris Hedges, David Skinner, Ed Monroe, Pete Smith, Bethany Woodruff, Robert Wess, Patricia Wess.

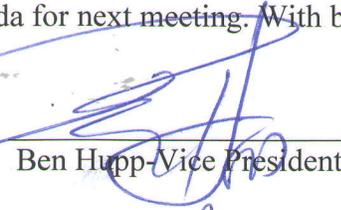
This public hearing was held to discuss a complaint the board of trustees received from the zoning inspector saying the chair of the zoning appeals board, Patty Volland, did not fulfill her required duties and would like for her to be removed from the board.

Following the hearing for the Sorg appeal, the letter was not received by the resident in the 10 day time frame which is stated in the zoning resolution. Patty Volland stated she sent a letter on November 11 and she has put a trace on the letter to find out what happened to it. The meeting was held on October 20th. She resent the letter last week to the resident. ZI brought the letter to the table the resident received which did not have a signature. The letter states that the variance was approved. Patty feels the zoning resolution should be changed to require the letter to be sent registered mail instead of regular mail. She also didn't receive a letter notifying her of this meeting tonight. FO said she sent a letter to all appeals board members. There were several in attendance and did receive a letter. ZI said the decision was not announced at the regular trustee meeting because there was no one representing the appeals board and there have not been any minutes produced of the meeting. Patty stated she has an email she sent to the FO stating the board has no secretary and according to ORC she can request the FO to stand in as the clerk. FO responded to that email and stated she wouldn't be able to attend the meeting but would leave the recorder at the township building and suggested the appeals board have a short meeting prior to the hearing to appoint a clerk. Patty responded by email saying there wouldn't be time since they need to go into executive session and discuss it and then come back and vote. FO responded to her email saying she didn't agree with the need for executive session and copied the ORC about executive session. FO also stated when she received her recorder back, it had nothing recorded on it so there is no official recording of the variance meeting. ZI stated the clerk should have been named when the old clerk's term expired, which was a couple of months ago. Patty feels the zoning inspector didn't properly do her job either because she applied for an appeal and not a variance. Patty had email conversations with the assistant prosecutor about the situation and she suggested the paperwork be redone properly. Patty also did not receive all the proper paperwork originally. ZI says she was never contacted by Patty about the paperwork. ZI says she was contacted by the asst. prosecutor and resent the paper work on the proper form. She sent it all to the FO and the FO sent it to Patty.

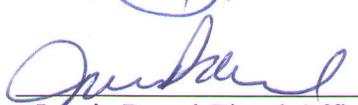
Patty Wess asked if the neighbors of the property received a letter. Letters were sent. Patty didn't get one because she isn't a neighbor to Tom Sorg's property.

Trustee Chorpenning made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Trustee VanBuren. The issue will be put on the agenda for next meeting. With business complete the board adjourned at 7:00pm.


Daniel VanBuren- President


Ben Hupp-Vice President


Jeff Chorpenning- Trustee


Jennie Duval-Fiscal Officer