ELSINBORO TOWNSHIP PLANNING BOARD

Dave Faulhaber - Chairman 935-4472

Steve Cornman - Secretary 935-7593

Board Minutes

Meeting Date: April 15, 2015

The Elsinboro Planning Board meeting was held at 6:30 p.m. in the Emergency Management Building. Members present were Chairman Dave Faulhaber, Steve Cornman, Sean Elwell, Frank Master, Kurt Kaufmann, Jack Elk, Bill McGowan III, Ken Brown, Joe Robbins, and Michael Khairzada. There were no members of the public present for the meeting. The meeting was opened by Dave Faulhaber who then read the sunshine law statement. The Chairman started the meeting with a salute to the flag.

The Elsinboro Planning Board met to discuss Board Sub-Committee recommendations regarding possible changes to the Townships' Solar Ordinance.

The Board Chairman swore in Jack Elk to a new 1 year term and Joe Robbins to a new 2 year term.

Motion #1: Bill McGowan moved to dispense with the reading and to approve the minutes for the January 21, 2015 meeting. Kurt Kaufmann seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 9 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 abstentions.

The Board reviewed the ordinance and Dave Faulhaber discussed the sub-committee recommendations.

Motion #2: Kurt Kaufmann moved to eliminate Item (4) (d), "A rooftop and building-mounted collection system shall be no larger than 1,200 square feet on a residential structure.", eliminate Item (5) (b), "Ground-mounted arrays and freestanding collectors shall be located on properties of one (1) acre or greater.", eliminate Item (5) (c), "The total surface area of all ground-mounted and freestanding solar collectors on the lot shall not exceed 800 square feet.", and revise Item (5) (d) from "The location of the ground-mounted arrays and freestanding collectors shall be set back a distance of 50 feet from all property lines." to "The location of the ground-mounted arrays and freestanding collectors shall be set back a distance of 25 feet from all property lines." Frank Master seconded the motion. The motion to approve the change failed by a vote of 1 aye, 8 nays, and 0 abstentions.

Motion #3: Kurt Kaufmann moved to eliminate Item (4) (d), "A rooftop and building-mounted collection system shall be no larger than 1,200 square feet on a residential structure.", revise Item (5), "Ground-mounted arrays and freestanding solar collectors are permitted as accessory structures in all zoning districts only if roof mounting is determined to be impractical by the property or homeowner subject to the following requirements:" to "Ground-mounted arrays and freestanding solar collectors are permitted as accessory structures in all zoning districts only if roof mounting is determined to be impractical by the Zoning Officer or Construction Code Official subject to the following requirements:", eliminate Item (5) (b), "Ground-mounted arrays and freestanding collectors shall be located on properties of one (1) acre or greater.", eliminate Item (5) (c), "The total surface area of all ground-mounted and freestanding solar collectors on the lot shall not exceed 800 square feet.", and revise Item (5) (d) from "The location of the ground-mounted arrays and freestanding collectors shall be set back a distance of 25 feet from all property lines." to "The location of the ground-mounted arrays and freestanding collectors shall be set back a distance of 25 feet from all property lines."

Frank Master seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 8 ayes, 0 nays, and 1 abstentions (McGowan).

Sean Elwell brought the Board up to date regarding the hiring of the Salem County Planner to provide planning service to the Planning Board. Negotiations with the County are in-progress.

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Motion #4: With no further business before the board, Jack Elk moved to adjourn. Kurt Kaufmann seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote and the meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Wm. Steve Cornman