

MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP
ZONING HEARING BOARD

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Minutes of the Zoning Hearing Board

The regular meeting of the Middletown Township Zoning Hearing Board was held on **Wednesday, May 28, 2014**, beginning at 7:00 PM in the Township Building, 27 N. Pennell Road, Lima, PA

Members Present: Diane Beresford, Christian Davis, Jacquelyn Goffney, John Kelley

Staff Present: Larry G. Strohm, Jr. Solicitor, Meredith F. Merino, Zoning Officer.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the April 23, 2014 meeting were approved as submitted by a vote of 4-0.

Old Business: Case 2014-03: Applicant Taria Avery, of 13 Carriage Drive, submitted a request to continue the hearing scheduled for this evening to the July 23, 2014 meeting. The board voted unanimously to grant the requested continuance to the meeting of July 23.

New Business: Case 2014-04: An application of Joseph Ward, of 16 Van Leer Avenue, for a variance from the minimum 20 ft. side yard setback and 45 ft. minimum aggregate side yard setback in the R-2 zoning district in order to construct a 20'x20' 2-car, 1-story attached garage. The garage is proposed to project to within 10' of the side property line, reducing the aggregate side yard setback from 50' to 30'. The applicant presented testimony in support of the application, and after the adjacent property owner had an opportunity to review the location of the proposed garage, the hearing was closed. The board granted the variance requested as submitted by a vote of 4-0, with the condition that the applicant must landscape the area along the property south side yard lot line opposite the proposed garage with appropriate planting material to buffer the proposed garage from the dwelling located on the lot opposite the said side lot line, and to maintain such landscaping.

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

The next meeting of the Zoning Hearing Board is scheduled for Wednesday, June 25, 2014 beginning at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Kelley, Secretary