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**Exeter Township
Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting Minutes**
APRIL ~~March~~ 9, 2024

Exeter Township Zoning Board of Appeals chairperson, Robert Strimple, called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present: Roger Bezek, Anthony Bruck, Don Miller, June Olson
and Robert Strimpel

Excused:

Guests:

NOTE: There were no township residents in attendance.

Approval of Agenda:

❖ **Motion:** Anthony Bruck, 2nd Don Miller: To adopt the meeting agenda as presented.

Motion carried

Approval of Minutes:

The January 5, 2024 Exeter Township Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) meeting minutes were reviewed by ZBA members.

❖ **Motion:** Anthony Bruck, 2nd Don Miller: To approve the ZBA meeting minutes from January 5, 2024

Motion carried.

The March 5, 2024 Exeter Township Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) meeting minutes were reviewed by ZBA members. This was an organizational joint meeting with the Exeter Township Planning Commission.

❖ **Motion:** June Olson, 2nd Anthony Bruck: To approve the ZBA meeting minutes from March 5, 2024 joint special meeting with the Exeter Township Planning Commission.

Motion carried.

Public Comment:

Mr. Mark Collins (3881 Kane Rd Carleton MI) inquired about building at his current address an "accessory building" to be finished out and used as a temporary residence for his aging parents. Per current Exeter Township ordinance, a residence cannot be established in an "accessory building". A second residence, even if for a temporary use cannot be established on a parcel already with a residence built on it. Mr. Collins stated that he is limited to expand his home

(Single floor ranch style home constructed approximately 4 years ago) to create additional living space. The current residence is 30 feet from the property line on the west, has the septic field on the left side of the home, and has a naturally formed "pond" located to the south of the house making expansion difficult. He is inquiring about his option(s) because of the possible need / request for a variance from the ZBA.

The ZBA chairperson informed Mr. Collins that they could not "tell him" what option he "should" pursue but did discuss what steps would be required if he went ahead with building a suitable second residence on his parcel. Mr. Collins was told to research his options and to investigate what would be involved to extend ("city") water service, possibly tapping into the current home's septic system and extending power to any proposed building site. It was also suggested to keep in contact with the township building officials as he finalizes his plans. Mr. Collins would prefer to site any new construction south of the existing barn and stated that the second residence would be "removed or re-purposed" after his parents needs dictate admission to full-time care.

Options discussed including construction of a multipurpose building constructed to residential standards and the siting of any type of manufactured home. Once Mr. Collins has decided on a course of action, he can provide such plans to the building department and request a ZBA Public Hearing to request any (proper) variance to current township zoning.

Mr. Collins was informed that the next regularly scheduled meeting of the ZBA would be in July. His site plan and related material for any variance request should be in the township office at least 30 days prior to the July ZBA meeting date. The ZBA secretary will also mail copies of current Exeter Township ordinance(s) that would apply to his proposed plans.

Old Business:

None

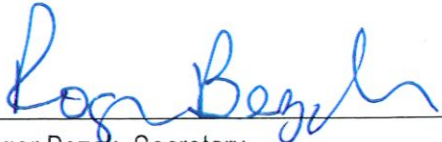
New Business:

1). ZBA Chairperson Robert Strimple relayed a few comments he received after the joint meeting with the Exeter Township Planning Commission.


Public Comment:

1). The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Exeter Township Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on July 9, 2024 beginning at 7:00 pm at the Exeter Township Hall.

❖ **Motion:** Anthony Bruck, 2nd Don Miller: To adjourn the meeting. **Motion carried.**
The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted, 

Roger Bezek, Secretary
Exeter Township Zoning Board of Appeals



Robert Strimple, Chairperson
Exeter Township Zoning Board of Appeals