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Exeter Township Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting Minutes October 8, 2024

Exeter Township Zoning Board of Appeals chairperson, Robert Strimple, called the meeting to order at 7:00 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:

The meeting agenda was adopted as presented.

Public Comment:

There were no citizen comments or inquires made to the ZBA members.

Approval of Minutes:

Printed copies of the regular July 9, 2024 ZBA meeting and the July 30, 2024 ZBA Public Hearing were not available for the ZBA members to review.

Motion: Roger Bezek, 2nd Don Miller: To table the review of the July 9, 2024 (regularly scheduled) ZBA Meeting minutes and the July 30, 2024 ZBA Public Hearing minutes until the January 2025 regularly scheduled ZBA meeting. Copies will be sent to ZBA member as soon as available.

Motion carried.

Old Business:

ZBA Chairperson, Robert Strimple reported that he was asked about the ZBA variance that was granted to property owner Mr. Michael Butler (9533 Exeter Road Carleton Michigan 48117) on parcel # 5806-036-007-00 (to erect an accessory building in front of the existing home). He also was asked about the lack of required township permits / inspection that Mr. Butler has neglected to request before starting work on this accessory building construction.

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ZBA Chairperson, Robert Strimple also reported that no further progress has been made at the parcel commonly referred to as the "Grecca Property" or the abandoned service station on the corner of Oakville – Waltz road and Sumpter road.

New Business:

- 1). ZBA Chairperson, Robert Strimple provided information about the upcoming training session (date is September 15, 2024 at the Monroe County Community College) to be conducted by the Michigan Township Association. The training is concerning best practices and consideration when reviewing site plans. It was recommended for all members of the ZBA and the township would pay (or reimburse) the \$79.00 per person registration fee.
- 2). ZBA Secretary, Roger Bezek gave a brief report on the recent activities of the Exeter Township Planning Commission including:
 - A). an inquirer made to establish a religious place of worship in an existing single family home and parcel. A properly registered religious use of a parcel in the Ag/Residential zoned district is allowed and does not require any Special Land Use or Re Zoning request to become established. This is the responsibility of the township Assessor to change the "non-taxable designation" of this parcel. The single family home must be brought up to code for any additional residents and any future improvement outside of the home may need to come before the Planning Commission. There is no plans to be open to the public or to conduct public services.
 - B). There will be a public hearing (Tuesday November 12, 2024) concerning citizen comments on the proposed amendments, additions, and standards to be included in the current Wind Energy Conversion Systems (WECS) ordinance to regulate commercial scale energy producing wind turbines which may be proposed and erected within the township. The Public Hearing will be held in conjunction with the re-scheduled monthly Planning Commission meeting. The Planning Commission is also working on commercial scale energy (battery) storage facilities.

Public Comment:

1). The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Exeter Township Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on January 14, 2025 beginning at 7:00 pm at the Exeter Township Hall.

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Motion: Anthony Bruck, 2nd Don Miller: To adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Bezek, Secretary

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Robert Strimple, Chairperson

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