

## **TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL**

# COUNTY OF MORRIS Gillette, Homestead Park, Meyersville, Millington, Stirling

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### ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING/HEARING August 31, 2021

The Long Hill Zoning Board of Adjustment met for a Special Meeting/Hearing via online virtual meeting format using Zoom Webinar.

#### At 7:35 pm, Chairman Gerecht made the following announcements:

- (1) Call to Order and Statement of Compliance
- (2) Standard Board Procedures
- (3) Meeting Cut-Off
- (4) <u>Pledge of Allegiance</u> Recited by all in attendance.
- (5) <u>Roll Call</u> Board Secretary Coonce called the roll:

Present: Ed Gerecht, Chairman Excused: Brian Johnson, Vice Chairman

Jerry Aroneo Gary Gianakis Tom Grosskopf Mike Malloy

Jonathan Rosenberg Scott Hain (Alt. #1) Jill Robertson (Alt. #2)

Debra Coonce, Board Secretary

Jolanta Maziarz, Esq., Board Attorney

Paul Grygiel, Board Planner Richard Keller, Board Engineer \*

- (6) <u>Meeting Minutes</u> Upon motion made and seconded, the meeting minutes of July 20, 2021 and August 17, 2021 were accepted as presented.
- (7) Resolutions –

#### Appointment of Board Attorney / Resolution 2021-09-ZBA

Upon motion made by Mr. Grosskopf and seconded by Mr. Aroneo, the resolution was unanimously approved by the votes of Mr. Grosskopf, Mr. Aroneo, Mr. Gianakis, Mr. Malloy, Mr. Rosenberg, Mr. Hain, Ms. Robertson and Chairman Gerecht; they being all members present and eligible to vote.

<sup>\*</sup> Board Engineer Keller joined the meeting at 9:00 pm.

#### Vincent Sheehan / Application No. 21-08Z

Upon motion made by Mr. Gianakis and seconded by Ms. Robertson, the resolution was unanimously approved by the votes of Mr. Gianakis, Ms. Robertson, Mr. Malloy, Mr. Hain and Chairman Gerecht; they being all members present and eligible to vote.

#### New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T) / Application No. 21-10Z

Upon motion made by Mr. Rosenberg and seconded by Mr. Hain, the resolution was unanimously approved by the votes of Mr. Rosenberg, Mr. Hain, Mr. Grosskopf, Mr. Malloy, Ms. Robertson and Chairman Gerecht; they being all members present and eligible to vote.

#### (8) <u>Applications</u> –

#### Use Variance

Block 12806 / Lot 1 / Zone R-2 1552-1554 Long Hill Road Application No. 21-05Z Christopher Finley

Applicant proposes two (2) primary residences to be located on one (1) lot.

Gianni Corleone, Esq. appeared on behalf of the Applicant.

Board Planner Grygiel was sworn in to offer testimony on behalf or the Township.

Witnesses that were sworn in to offer testimony on behalf of the Applicant:

Mr. & Mrs. Finley, as Applicants Carolyn Worstell, as Planner

No members of the public had questions or comments for the Applicant and their witnesses.

During discussion, the Board agreed the application was well presented and the variances requested are reasonable based on the historic nature of the property. As the Applicant is not requesting to make any changes to the property or any of the existing structures, the Board felt granting the variances requested would cause no detriment to the neighborhood.

Upon motion made by Mr. Grosskopf and seconded by Mr. Malloy, the application was approved with conditions subject to a memorializing resolution by the votes unanimous votes of Mr. Grosskopf, Mr. Malloy, Mr. Aroneo, Mr. Gianakis, Mr. Rosenberg, Mr. Hain and Chairman Gerecht; they being all members present and eligible to vote.

#### The Board was in recess from 9:04 pm to 9:13 pm.

#### **Bulk & Use Variance**

Block 11513 / Lots 3, 4 & 4.01 / Zone R-4 329 Main Avenue Application No. 19-04Z Meek Sook Jeon

Applicant proposes to merge three (3) lots into one (1) and make cosmetic enhancements to the exterior of the existing retain units.

Frederick Zelley, Esq. appeared on behalf of the Applicant.

Board Planner Grygiel and Board Engineer Keller were sworn in to offer testimony on behalf of the Township.

Witnesses that were sworn in to offer testimony on behalf of the Applicant:

Nick Ferrara, as Architect Bill Hollows, as Engineer

A revised site plan was submitted and marked as Exhibit A-1.

No members of the public had questions or comments for the Applicant and their witnesses.

During discussion, the Board agreed the application was well presented and the variances requested will provide necessary visual enhancements and benefit the neighborhood. The Board further believes merging all of the lots together suits the nature of the property and the benefits outweigh any detriments overall.

Upon motion made by Mr. Grosskopf and seconded by Mr. Malloy, the application was approved with conditions subject to a memorializing resolution by the votes unanimous votes of Mr. Grosskopf, Mr. Malloy, Mr. Aroneo, Mr. Gianakis, Mr. Rosenberg, Mr. Hain and Chairman Gerecht; they being all members present and eligible to vote.

- (9) Old Business/New Business None.
- (10) Adjournment The Special Meeting/Hearing was adjourned at 10:17 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Coonce

Zoning Board Secretary

Planning & Zoning Board Coordinator