

**HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP
YORK COUNTY PA
PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES FOR JANUARY 19, 2021
VIA ZOOM- DUE TO COVID 19
7:00 PM**

Yost called the January 19, 2021 Planning Commission meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. In attendance were Chairman Ann Yost, Tom Malkie, Butch Hensel, Chuck Webster, Joe Shanabrough, Secretary, Katie Berry and Zoning Officer, Keith Hunnings. Due to Covid 19 the meeting was held via zoom.

Approval of Minutes:

Webster motioned to approve the December 15, 2020 minutes. Hensel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Organization:

Yost opened the floor for nominations of Chairman and Vice-Chairman. Malkie motioned to appoint Yost as Chairman. Webster seconded the motion. Motion carried. Yost motioned to appoint Malkie as Vice Chairman. Hensel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ZHB 1-2021

The Planners reviewed the application submitted to the ZHB, Application 1-2021. Mr. Frank Serruto is looking to obtain a variance on Ordinance 5.27- 301.2- Auxiliary structure to be allowed in his front yard. The structure will be a pole barn building approximately 50' x 80' in size, placed in the front yard of his residential lot.

The Planners reviewed and discussed all five of the standards to be met to approve a variance. By unanimous vote the Planners motioned not to recommend approval by the ZHB to application 1-2021 Serruto. The members voted that the variance standards; b, d and e were not met. The motion was carried.

The Planners did suggest there could be options for a building beside the home if the storm water basin could be re-engineered to create a buildable area opposite the house/garage.

Public Comment:

Charles & Kathleen Locke – 19142 Rosewood Drive- expressed concern on the proposal of the structure. They feel the building would be extremely intrusive to the neighborhood. Mr. Locke suggested that Mr. Serruto take his RV to a Storage Facility if he wants it in a building. Additionally, Mr. Locke expressed other recreational vehicles are also outside the home of Mr. Serruto. Mr. Locke also stated that 13 petitions and three letters from neighbors opposing the proposed building were submitted to the Planners.

Frank Serruto- 19137 Rosewood Drive- expressed concern that there are other neighborhood ordinances being ignored by the neighbors, and will be keeping his RV on his property.

Planner, Butch Hensel confirmed all petitions and letters were received and taken in to consideration by the Planners.

Shanabrough motioned to adjourn at 7:57 p.m. Yost seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Katie Berry, Recording Secretary