

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP LAND USE BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
Virtual meeting held on July 8, 2020

FLAG SALUTE:

Statement made by Mr. R. Sigler regarding the previous virtual meeting and the difficulties some people had rejoining the meeting after being cut off from it. Before you approve anything take the public's comments into consideration.

Mayor DeAngelis explained the Township is following the State of NJ guidelines for live and virtual meetings.

Ms. Butler stated not all people could get on it is a difficult time for everyone when the meetings get cut off.

Attorney R. Schneider stated there was an issue in the beginning that got resolved I had no problem getting back on. I spoke with Ron twice, it was a unique matter with concerns. The Land Use Board's role in that matter is limited to only Board comments.

Mayor DeAngelis suggested if anyone had any public comment from the last meeting you can speak now. Ron if you have a comment the floor is yours.

Mr. Sigler stated the whole meeting lacked public comment including the solar application.

Ms. Heisler stated she had difficulty along with three other people.

Attorney R. Schneider suggested if anyone from the public has any comments or concerns regarding the aeronautical application to communicate them to Mr. Leipfinger of the NJDOT at the State of New Jersey.

The Franklin Township (Warren County) Land Use Board met for a regular meeting (virtual) on Wednesday, July 8, 2020. Chairman H. Meltzer called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m. and declared all aspects of the Open Public Meeting had been met by posting notice of this meeting on the bulletin board in the Township Municipal building and notifying the Municipal Clerk. Advertisement of notice was posted in the Express Times of Easton, Pa. and the Star Gazette and the Township Website.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Mayor DeAngelis, Mr. Onembo, Mr. Meltzer, Mr. Van Saders, Mr. Butler, Mr. Santini, Mr. Handel, Mr. Ferri, Mr. Corde (7:54)

Also Present: Attorney R. Schneider, Engineer M. Finelli

MINUTES: Minutes for the June 24, 2020 Special Meeting.

Eligible to Vote: Meltzer, DeAngelis, Van Saders, Corde, Hamler, Santini, Butler, Ferri, Onembo, Handel, Banes

A motion to approve was made by Mr. Meltzer, seconded by Mr. Onembo, Vote: Meltzer, Onembo, Van Saders, DeAngelis, Handel, Ferri, Santini, Butler – Ayes, 0 – Nay, all ayes motion carried.

RESOLUTION:

1. 2020-01 – Citrine Power LLC – Resolution for a Module Solar Energy Carport facility located at 674 Mt. View Road East also known as Block 7 Lot 9 on the Franklin Township Tax Map. The board had a brief discussion on tax benefits from the proposed solar application.

Eligible to Vote: Corde, Banes, DeAngelis, Onembo, Ferri, Santini, Meltzer, Van Saders, Butler, Handel

A motion to approve was made by Mr. Corde, seconded by Mr. Ferri, Vote: Corde, Ferri, DeAngelis, Onembo, Santini, Meltzer, Van Saders, Butler, Handel – Ayes, 0 – Nay, 0 – Abstain, all ayes motion carried.

COMPLETENESS ITEMS:

1. 2019-05 – Cline – Fourth completeness review for a Minor Subdivision application located at 2496 & 2500 Route 57 also known as Block 3 Lot 17 & 13 on the Franklin Township Tax Map. Engineer M. Finelli informed the board the application remains incomplete at this time he also explained the property is under new ownership. Mr. Finelli has supplied the applicant with a completeness report dated June 2, 2020 showing the items which are still deficient.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No further public comment.

BILLS: A motion to approve vouchers submitted for payment was made by Mr. Ferri, seconded by Mr. Santini, all ayes motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:05 P.M.

With no further business before the board and no further public comment offered the meeting was adjourned. A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Meltzer, seconded by Mr. Van Saders, all in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Margaret Housman, Secretary