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**HOWARD TOWNSHIP
BOARD of APPEALS MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
April 30, 2013**

Call to Order/Pledge/Roll Call:

J. Gordon called the special meeting of the Howard Township Zoning Board of Appeals to order at 7:04 p.m. The meeting was held at the Howard Township Business Office. Pledge to the flag was given. Roll call was answered by J. Gordon, C. Stafford, and B. Coar. C. Poehlman and C. Bradfield were absent. Zoning Administrator Linda McGregor was also present.

Agenda

A motion was made by B. Coar, supported by C. Stafford to approve the Meeting Agenda, carried.

Minutes

A motion was made by B. Coar, supported by C. Stafford to approve the minutes from the March 26, 2013 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting, carried.

Old Business

None

New Business

Vice Chair Gordon opened the Public Hearing on a variance application from Jeff and Stefanie Woodrick at 7:06 p.m. ZA McGregor read the public hearing rules. One correspondence received in support of the application received from Wendy Okerbloom of 1193 Huntly Road. Gordon opened the floor to the applicant to explain the request. The applicant explained that her retired parents live in their RV and she is requesting a variance to Section 16.10C, the 15 day occupancy zoning restriction. The applicant has a debilitating disease and her parents help her. Gordon asked for comments in favor of the application. The following residents spoke in support of the application; Ron Smith of 1026 Greenfield, Ed and Leslie Selent of 1236 Huntly and Tom Cavanaugh of 2511 Heath. Gordon asked for comments in opposition of the application. Hearing none, Vice Chair Gordon closed the public hearing at 7:14 p.m.

After commission reviewed and deliberated, a motion was made by B. Coar, supported by J. Gordon to approve the variance application of Jeff and Stefanie Woodrick at 1195 Huntly Road to allow a recreational vehicle, in which her retired parents live, beyond the 15 day allowance between April 15 and October 31 of each year with annual renewals with the Township Zoning Administrator, carried.

Report of the Planning Commission

Zoning Administrator Linda McGregor reported the Planning Commission has approved a spot rezone application on Lake Street. The application has been approved by the County and is scheduled to be on the Board of Trustees May Agenda.

Correspondence

None

Public Comment

Tom Cavanaugh thanked the Zoning Administrator and Commission.



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Adjournment

A motion by J. Gordon, supported B. Coar to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m., carried.

Submitted by:

Teri Ernsberger
Planning Commission Recording Secretary