NORTH EAST TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

Monday, January 3, 2022 7:00 P.M. Meeting

Call to Order: Chairman Vern Fry called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. In attendance were Board members Char Kerr, Dennis Kershner, Matt Putnam, Leann Parmenter and Zoning Administrator Jay Jobczynski.

Minutes of the December 6, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve was made by Char, second by Matt. Motion approved – Unanimous

Election of Officers: Vern agreed to continue as Chairman. Dennis agreed to continue as Vice Chairman. Char agreed to serve as Secretary. Motion to approve the slate was made by Matt, second by LeAnn. Motion approved – Unanimous.

Plan Reviews: No plans were submitted for review this month.

Variance Hearings: No variance hearings requested for this month.

Discussions:

An Ordinance for Short-Term Rentals was discussed at length. The Monroe County Pa. ordinance was reviewed page by page and changes made, items deleted, etc..

Matt provided a series of written suggestions regarding structure and boundaries that should be considered within a new ordinance.

Vern expressed his concerns to keep it short, reminding us that this was not a money-making deal. He also reminded us that many of the issues in the Monroe County Pa. ordinance were already addressed in the building codes and other existing ordinances, therefore no need to duplicate.

Dennis and Vern felt that the Zoning Officer should not do more regarding enforcement of this ordinance than he does for any other ordinance. Dennis provided a sample permit from Stroud Twp. located in Monroe County, Pa. for review.

The Board agreed to a short ordinance and a permit application that contained checklists of required items. Char agreed to summarize the Board's discussions in a draft ordinance.

The Board agreed to discuss at the February meeting the application permit and process.

A draft ordinance, permit application and checklist, when completed, will be presented to the Township Board of Supervisors and the Solicitor for review.

Walk-ins/Other Items: No walk-ins or other items

Char motioned for adjournment.

Secretary

Char Kerr