Germantown ZBA Meeting

Thursday, October 20, 2016

Members in attendance: Chairman Steve Savoris, Chuck Abraham, Edward Colwell, Joseph Guida and Teresa Repko.

Meeting was opened at 7:05 by Chairman Savoris. Minutes were reviewed and on a motion by Joe seconded by Ed were accepted as written, with all in favor and none opposed.

Mr. Chris Brown of 44 Main Street presented to the Board for an Area Variance for the fence he put on his property. He explained that he applied for and was granted a Building Permit in 2015, and stated that it was brought to his attention the fence is in violation per the Code Enforcement Officer. Mr. Brown stated he was advised he could apply for a variance and seeks one at this time as to not be penalized for the previous inspector's error.

Mr. Art Cady asked the board for permission to explain about an accessible road that runs along the fence line. Chairman Savoris allowed a brief comment, and it is explained by Mr. Cady that he may enclose this road at his leisure and the ownership of said road is his. Teresa commented that this information is not essential for the matter at hand and suggested to move the meeting on.

Teresa asked Mr. Brown the completion date of his fence being placed, and he was uncertain of the date. In addition she also asked date of complaint that was filed and answered by secretary of board, the initial complaint was received in January and revisited in April.

Joe stated to board that he would like a spelled out definition of Front Yard to be able to determine how to rule.

Teresa made a motion to schedule Public Hearing for November 17, 2016 seconded by Ed with all in favor and none opposed.

Chuck made a motion to close meeting seconded by Teresa with all in favor and none opposed.

Jami L. DelPozzo- Secretary Planning and Zoning