

Conewago Township, York Co., PA

Zoning Hearing Board Minutes – September 13, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present were Sharon Beck, Margaret Burg, Jesse Coy and Rob Fogle. Attorney John Herrold and Zoning Officer Albert “Fritz” Neufeld were also present.

The July minutes were approved as distributed.

The Board held an Executive Session before the testimony began.

Old Business

Case No. 07-2021 - Darrel Horst – Request for a Variance use, to allow agricultural animals on his property, pursuant to Section 304 Medium Density Residential (R-2) Zone. The property is in the R-2 Zone which does not allow the use of agricultural animals. The address is 424 E. Canal Rd., York, PA 17404. Tax Map: LH Parcel 144B.

This matter was tabled at the July meeting of the Zoning Hearing Board for 6 months in agreement with Mr. Horst to allow him time to meet with the Township Supervisors to discuss the creation of an ordinance to allow farm stock in an R-2 (residential zone).

Attorney Herold advised the Board that it cannot make changes to the Zoning Ordinance, it can only grant a Variance if the request meets all the criteria established in the Conewago Township Zoning Ordinance for the granting of a Variance, Section 503.c.

Mr. Horst addressed the five Standards for a Variance, explaining how he feels he meets the criteria. Todd Horst also testified how they meet the criteria. The Horsts advised the Board that the Supervisors are in favor of the granting of the Variance. The minutes of the BOS September meeting did not address the issue.

Motion by Margaret Burg, to deny the granting of a Variance for failure by the applicant to meet the criteria as outlined in Section 503.c of the Conewago Township Zoning Ordinance, Standards for Variance. Second by Rob Fogle, motion carried by a vote of 3 -1, Jesse Coy voting no.

Motion to adjourn – Margaret Burg, Jesse Coy.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Burg

Margaret Burg, Secretary