



**Berkshire Township Board of Zoning Appeals
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 19th, 2023**

Call to Order: Kim Zianno Hartman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Determination of a Quorum/Roll Call: Members Dorothy Kerr, Kim Zianno Hartman, Scott Lillie, Bruce Denton, and Ellen Ebe were present. Jim Spurrier was absent. Also present were David Weade, Zoning Inspector; and Donielle Owen, Meeting Secretary.

Motion to approve the minutes: A motion to approve the meeting minutes from January 18, 2023, was made by Ellen Ebe and seconded by Dorothy Kerr. The motion was approved 5-0.

New Business:

- **Application #23-029, Andrew DeVary; Variance request for rear yard setback on property at 7471 Kerfield Drive, Galena, OH 43021; Property Owner Mark Jeswald.**

Meeting Secretary, Donielle Owen swore in Mark Jeswald who requested to speak at the meeting.

Zoning Inspector David Weade gave the background on the application, explaining that even with Board approval the property owner will need to get separate approval from the water company.

Property Owner, Mark Jeswald presented photos of his home and explained that the project is a rectangular 20'x14' deck. His request is for a reduction in the rear setback from 30 feet to 20 feet to allow for room to build.

Board Member, Bruce Denton noticed that there is a slope that would make the project more difficult and Property Owner, Mark Jeswald confirmed that the slope has been addressed with the hired contractor. Board Member, Bruce Denton also requested confirmation that the adjacent property owners have been notified of the project and Zoning Inspector, David Weade confirmed that he obtained the list of homeowners and they've been notified.

Public Participation: NONE

Bruce Denton made a motion to approve application #23-029 and Ellen Ebe seconded. Motion approved 5-0.

Other Business: None

Regional Planning Commission Updates: No official update to report; Submitted possible changes for review for Zoning Code updates.

Adjournment: Ellen Ebe motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:16pm. Dorothy seconded; Motion approved 5-0.

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Zoning Inspector

Daniel Owen

Meeting Secretary

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