# HOWELL TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING

Howell Township Hall 3525 Byron Road, Howell Township March 20, 2017 6:30 P.M.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Tom Knight Chairman Carolyn Eaton Board Rep.

Kim Babcock Vice-Chairman Andrew Sloan PC Representative

Dar Howard Board Representative Alternate

Sarah Tinsley Member

Also Present: Joe Daus – Zoning Administrator.

Chairman Knight called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

The roll was called.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

<u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA:</u> MOTION by Sloan, seconded by Howard, "TO APPROVE THE MARCH 20, 2017 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA AS PRESENTED." Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MOTION by Howard, seconded by Sloan, "TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 17, 2017 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MINUTES AS PRESENTED." Motion carried unanimously.

PETITIONER J & T TODOSCIUK FARMS & GREENHOUSES, PARCEL #4706-02-300-006, 5611 PRESTON RD, FILE #2017.02. Chairman Knight stated that all needed publishing and posting requirements have been met. Chairman Knight reviewed the request from the petitioner asking for a -116' variance to Article 14.07B, to allow for a barn to be placed partly in the front side yard. Petitioner Todosciuk stated that placing the new barn in the rear yard would cause hardship because that space is needed to preserve needed farmland. The new barn will be approximately 60' in front yard, along the side yard into the backyard. The use of the barn is to house equipment. Chairman Knight took comments from the public: Alice Perry, 5579 Preston Road and Jan Sokolowski, 5701 Preston Road were in support of the petitioner. Chairman Knight took questions and comments from the ZBA Members. ZBA Members that visited the site stated and agreed that placing the barn in the rear yard would cause a hardship. Zoning Administrator Daus reported that there has been no comments from the public opposing the project. Chairman Knight instructed the ZBA they had 3 options: they could 1) Approve the request 2) Deny the request or 3) Table the request and ask for more information or changes to the petition. **MOTION** by Babcock, seconded by Howard, "TO APPROVE THE REQUEST TO ALLOW THE VARIANCE TO ARTICLE

14.07B TO ALLOW A BARN BE ERRECTED IN THE FRONT SIDE YARD ON PARCEL #4706-02-300-006, 5611 PRESTON RD, FILE #2017.02 AS STATED." Discussion followed. A roll-call vote was taken: Tinsley – yes, Howard – yes, Babcock – yes, Sloan – yes, Knight – yes. Motion carried 5 to 0.

## **CALL TO PUBLIC:**

No response.

<u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> **MOTION** by Howard, seconded by Sloan, "**TO ADJOURN.**" Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Approved as presented: X		
	Thomas Knight	
Approved as Amended:	Chairman	
Approved as Corrected:		
	Kim Babcock	
Date: 08/21/2017	Vice-Chairman	
Signed:		
Debby Johnson		
Recording Secretary		