

**Middle Paxton Township Zoning Hearing Board  
July 14, 2021  
Meeting Minutes**

The meeting of the Middle Paxton Township Zoning Hearing Board was held at 7:00 p.m. on July 14, 2021.

Participating: James Allen                      Chair  
                  Joe McConlogue                Vice Chair  
                  Sebastian DeTres                      Secretary  
                  Ed Fisher                                  Township Zoning Officer  
                  Patrick M. Armstrong                ZHB Solicitor

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Allen.

**Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Mr. McConlogue to approve the minutes from June 9, 2021. The motion was seconded by Mr. Allen. The motion passed 2-0. Mr. DeTres abstained because he was not present for the June 9, 2021 meeting.

**Confirmed Appointments**

Case No. 2021-04 – The ZHB held the hearing and the applicant submitted testimony and evidence in support of its application for a variance. The ZHB closed the hearing. The ZHB members deliberated, and Mr. Allen made a motion to deny the request for a variance from Section 1319.F. of the Zoning Ordinance, and further that the applicant did not need a variance to proceed with an accessory apartment within the existing detached garage on the property based on the ZHB’s interpretation of the Zoning Ordinance, subject to the applicant’s compliance with the Zoning Ordinance provisions for accessory apartment. The motion was seconded by Mr. DeTres and passed 3-0.

**Old Business**

Mr. McConlogue made a motion to approve the written decision in Case No. 2021-03. The motion was seconded by Mr. Allen and passed 2-0. Mr. DeTres abstained because he was not present for the June 9, 2021 hearing.

**New Business**

The ZHB discussed the accessory apartment provisions in the Zoning Ordinance and recommended the Board of Supervisors review the existing provisions and consider amending the Zoning Ordinance in order to clarify the requirements, restrictions and limitations of the accessory apartment use in the Township.

**Public Comment**

None.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Mr. McConlogue, seconded by Mr. DeTres to adjourn. Motion passed 3-0 at 8:35 P.M.