Zoning Hearing Board Meeting May 7th, 2013

The members of the Pequea Township Zoning Board meet on May 7th, 2013 @ 7:00 PM in the meeting room of the Pequea Twp. Municipal Building.

Court Reporter - Vanessa A. Smith

The meeting was called to order by Chairlady Jackie Johns @ 7:00 PM

Members Present:

Jackie Johns, James Haines, Robert Mellinger, Mark Meyer with David Wagenseller present as council to the board. Board Member Tom Haas had an excused absence.

Old Business:

The board approved the March 5th, 2013 minutes with a motion by Jim Haines and seconded by Jackie Johns.

New Business

The Board will hear a request for a variance from Joseph G. Beiler. He wants to board 4 horses in a 25 foot 8 inch barn, 82' from the property line, so he is asking to vary from Ordinance section 1728C and 1716C.1.

The meeting was called to order @ 7:00 PM and Joseph was not present. It was decided to give him 10 minutes to show. Daniel Beiler (Joseph's brother) showed up @ approx. 7:08 and apologized for being late. He was there to act on his brothers behalf.

Attorney Wagenseller asked if any one present who wanted to be a party to this hearing, no one did.

Mark Deimler, (Zoning Officer) testified as follows main issues:

Current Zoning only allows 2 horses when property is not an active farm. Surrounding Townships allow 1 horse per acre, and Mr. Beiler has 4 acres. Current Zoning only allows a max height of 25' and Mr. Beiler wants 25'8". Current Zoning requires a 100' set back and Mr. Beiler is requesting 82'.

Zoning Board went into a brief Executive Session @ 7:40 and Returned @

7:56 to discuss the law and the motion with Attorney Wagenseller.

Decision Decision Decision based against address Towns and Towns a

Bob Mellinger made a motion to grant the variance as outlined below, seconded by Jackie Johns. All voted in favor of.

The application of Joseph G. Beiler for a variance from the maximum building height for an accessory building is granted for an 8 inch variance only.

The application of Joseph G. Beiler for a variance from the 100 foot setback required for a barn where horses are kept is granted, to allow an 82 foot setback.

The application of Joseph G. Beiler for a variance from the maximum number of large animals on a non-farm lot is granted, to allow four residential horses; subject to the following conditions:

- 1. All manure is to be taken from the lot or placed in the rear corner of the lot farthest from the neighboring residence.
 - 2. Manure is to be composted.
- 3. Visitors with horses must not keep their horses on the lot more than 24 hours.

Meeting was adjourned @ 8:00

Following the hearing, a listing of ordinances including a copy of the new driveway ordinance was giving to each member.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark S Meyer