



TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON

Office of the Township Manager

MEETING NOTES

January 28, 2021 6:30 p.m.

TO: Richard J. Manfredi, Township Manager

DATE: JANUARY 28, 2021

SUBJECT: VPRB MEETING

REFERENCE: VPRB MEETING OF JANUARY 28, 2021 VIA ZOOM

ATTENDEES: BOB GREAVES, CHAIRMAN, COMMISSIONER SPIEGELMAN, DAVID FORBES, MICHAEL SCHLAGHAUFER, LUCY STRACKHOUSE, SHAWN LITTLEFIELD, REBECCA SWANSON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, MARIA WYRSTA, ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGER

SUMMARY: AS FOLLOWS

General Discussion:

Meeting notes from December 17, 2020 were approved.

Proposed GIS System update: Introduction section (from VPRB webpage) was added to the map and the new GIS platform will be updated with information on vacant properties going forward. Also, proposed new system was reviewed and approved by Township Manager Manfredi and he suggested presenting it to the Board of Commissioners for their feedback as well as to the public.

Suggested was that the VPRB review the vacant property list on the new GIS system at the next meeting.

Site updates: property located at 1482 Old York Road was removed from the list as it is now the Thirsty Crab Restaurant; property located at 119 Township Line Road at the corner of Township Line Road and Zane Avenue – a ZHB application will be submitted to convert the previous automotive use to a convenient store. Also, letters will be sent to property owners on the list for updated information.

Public Comment: Lora Lehmann, resident, expressed concern about the amount of public speaking time and not being able to get the documents for this meeting. Also, she asked when the VPRB is reconstituted that new members be introduced, and for the cost of the new GIS system.

Next VPRB meeting will be held on Thursday, February 25, 2021.

Action Items and Responsibility:

Present proposed new GIS System to the Board of Commissioners for their feedback as well as to the public.

Meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.