FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP LAND USE BOARD MEETING MINUTES March 6, 2019

FLAG SALUTE:

The Franklin Township (Warren County) Land Use Board met for their regular meeting on Wednesday, March 6, 2019 at the Franklin Township Municipal building at 2093 Route 57, Broadway, NJ 08808. Chairman H. Meltzer called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. and declared all Aspects of the Open Public Meetings Act had been met by posting notice of this meeting on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building and notifying the Municipal Clerk. Advertisement of notice was posted in the Star Gazette of Hackettstown, NJ and the Express Times of Easton, Pa.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Mr. Onembo, Mr. Meltzer, Mr. Van Saders (7:50),

Mr. Santini, Mr. Sigler, Mr. Corde

Members Absent: Mayor DeAngelis, Mr. Ferri, Ms. Kantor, Mr. Banes Also Present: Attorney R. Schneider, Engineer M. Finelli, Planner J. Kyle

MINUTES: Minutes from the January 9, 2019 meeting. Eligible to Vote: DeAngelis, Ferri, Onembo, Santini, Sigler, Kantor,

Corde, Banes, Van Saders

A motion to approve was made by Mr. Onembo seconded by Mr. Sigler, Vote: Onembo, Sigler, Santini, Corde, Meltzer – Ayes, 0 – Nay, 0 – Abstain, all ayes motion carried.

COMPLETENESS ITEM:

 2019-01 – Completeness review for MVE Route 57 Solar for Block 16.01 Lot 10 & 10.08. The applicant was represented by Engineer R. Roseberry of Maser Consulting Engineers and Attorney Nisholi Rose of Florio, Perussi, Steinhardt & Cappelli LLC. Engineer Rick Roseberry briefly reviewed the application and addressed Engineer M. Finelli's report dated March 4, 2019. Engineer M. Finelli recommended the application be deemed incomplete and the public hearing be scheduled for the April 3, 2019 meeting if all requested information has been received by his office. A motion to deem the application incomplete was made by Mr. Sigler, seconded by Mr. Santini, Vote: Sigler, Santini, Onembo, Meltzer, Corde – Ayes, 0 – Nay, 0 – Abstain, all ayes motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment was offered.

VOUCHERS: A motion to pay vouchers submitted for payment was made by Mr. Corde, seconded by Mr. Meltzer, all ayes motion carried. Mr. Santini stepped down from the board at this time. Mr. Van Saders arrived at this time 7:50 p.m.

COMPLETENESS ITEM:

1. 2019-02 – Completeness review for Pohatcong Creek Solar for Block 26 Lot 2. The applicant was represented by Attorney Mark Bellin and Engineer Ian Hill of Van Cleef Engineering. Attorney M. Bellin briefly reviewed the previously approved Solar application. Mr. Bellin stated they only have until July 9th to energize and it takes four to five weeks for installation. There would be a new site plan, with no use variance or other variances. Mr. Bellin stated they would be able to comply rather quickly with Engineer M. Finelli's report dated March 5, 2019. The board agreed to the applicant's request to be scheduled for a public hearing at the April 3, 2019 meeting as long as they supply Mr. Finelli with the information requested on his report.

A motion to deem the application incomplete was made by Mr. Van Saders, seconded by Mr. Meltzer, Vote: Van Saders, Meltzer, Onembo, Sigler, Corde – Ayes, 0 – Nay, 0 – Abstain, all ayes motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:25 P.M.

With no further business before the board and no public comment Offered a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Corde, seconded by Mr. Sigler, all ayes motion carried. Respectfully Submitted,

Margaret Housman, Secretary