MINUTES OF THE VALLEY TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS June 30, 2016

6:00 PM

A meeting of the Valley Township Zoning Board of Appeals was held on Monday, June 27th, 2016 at the Valley Township Hall. The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m.

Board Members present: Tony Garofalo, Craig Van Melle, and Christi Foster. Also present was Anna Harry, the party requesting the variance.

Tony Garofalo asked for a motion to approve the Draft Minutes of the last ZBA meeting which was held on 6/27/2016. Craig VanMelle made a motion to approve the minutes which was seconded by Christi Foster. Motion approved unanimously. (3 yes, 0 no)

Christi Foster made a motion to approve the Draft Agenda of 6/30/16 and was seconded by Craig VanMelle. Motion approved unanimously. (3 yes, 0 no)

Harry Variance Request

The Valley Township Zoning Board of Appeals met to continue the Public Hearing of June 27, 2016 for an application submitted by Anna Harry, 2587 36th St. Allegan, MI 49010 requesting a variance to transfer a mobile home that is more than 10 years old to her property located at 2292 36th St, Allegan, MI.

A Public Hearing notice was published in the Allegan County News on June 2, 2016. A total of 3 letters were sent to the neighbors within 300 feet of the said property, requesting their concerns and comments related to the request.

Mr. Garofalo began by asking if there were any oral or written objections or comments received by the office. No comments were received.

Chairman Garofalo opened the discussion by asking Anna Harry if she had any additional comments or questions since the previous meeting on June 27th. She stated she did not.

Christi Foster clarified with Ms. Harry that her reason for wanting this older mobile home was a money issue. Ms. Harry stated yes. Craig VanMelle voiced his concern on the age of the building. Ms. Harry said that she is currently living with her mother and would continue to live there, if unable to bring in the requested mobile home, until such time that she could build.

Tony Garofalo made a motion to close the public portion of the meeting, seconded by Craig VanMelle. Motion was approved unanimously. (3 yes, 0 no)

Christi Foster made a motioned to vote on the decision. Craig VanMelle seconded. The motion to vote was approved unanimously. (3 yes, 0 no)

Mr. Garofalo asked the acting secretary to take a roll call vote: Craig VanMelle - No. Christi Foster - No. Tony Garofalo - No. The Motion to deny the variance request was carried 3 yes, 0 no. Request to transfer the mobile home to the property is denied due to the age of the structure.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Tony Garofalo, seconded by Craig VanMelle. The motion was approved unanimously. (3 yes, 0 no)

Meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: _ Karen Popp, acting Secretary