

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING – MAY 19, 2020

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Patterson called to order the Public Hearing for a conditional use request at 4:30 P.M. at the Washington Township Administration Building, 11800 Edinboro Road, Edinboro, PA 16412 on May 19, 2020. Those present were Vice-Mayor Feikles, Councilman Renick, and Councilperson Campbell. Laythe attended via phone. Also present were Solicitor Schmidt, Manager Anthony, Zoning Officer Willow and Community Development specialist Deborah Anthony, and Zoning Office Willow.

VISITORS Visitors were Paula Campbell, Joe Mahoney, Deborah Foy, Kenneth Foy, Attorney Shimek, Ed Abdallah, and Attorney Agresti.

CONDITIONAL USE REQUEST The purpose of this public hearing is to hear testimony and comments for a conditional use request Ed Abdallah, owner of Whispering Trees Manor, parcel #45-19-41-7.08, located at 1185 Eureka Road, Edinboro Road, Edinboro, PA 16412, to amend his current conditional use granted in 2017 to allow live music.

ADVERTISEMENT Manager Anthony presented a copy of the advertisement for this Public Hearing as advertised in the April 2nd and May 4th, 2020 editions of the West County Journal as Exhibit T-1. **It was voted on motion** by Renick, second by Campbell, to acknowledge the advertisement as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.** The public hearing was rescheduled from April 14, 2020 to May 19, 2020 due to Covid-19. Mr. Abdallah agreed to the rescheduling.

PROPERTY POSTING Zoning Officer Willow posted the property as required by the Township Code on April 8th, 2020.

WRITTEN COMMENT The Planning Commission minutes of March 17th, 2020 opposing the request were entered as Exhibit T-2. **It was voted on motion** by Renick, second by Campbell, to acknowledge the minutes as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

SWEAR IN APPLICANT Solicitor Schmidt swore in several attendees for testimony. Lengthy testimony was heard from both sides of the issue.

OBJECTORS Manager Anthony presented several letters from neighbors opposing the conditional use. Paula Campbell showed several videos with music for Council's review. Joe Mahoney addressed Council with objections.

SUPPORTING COMMENTS Deborah and Kenneth Foy addressed Council in support of Mr. Abdallah.

PUBLIC COMMENT None.

ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned at the Public Hearing at 6:15 P.M.