The March meeting of the Upper Allen Township Zoning Hearing Board was called to order by the Chairperson, Jean Foschi, at 6:05 p.m. on Thursday, March 14, 2019. In addition to the Chairperson, the following board member was present, to wit, Gary Scicchitano, Robert Melphis, Gerald Schultz and Philip Falvo. Also present was Robert Saidis, Esquire.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Melphis and seconded by Mr. Steele to approve the Minutes from the February 14, 2019 meeting with noted changes. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously.

SPECIAL EXCEPTION NO. 19-03 Tim and Jenn Engle  2600 Allen Glen Drive, Chapter 245-5.2 table V-1 Use #46

Tim & Jenn Engle, 2600 Allen Glen Drive, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055. Applicant is requesting a Special Exception of Section 245-5.2 Table V-1 Use #46 to allow an accessory apartment to be constructed in the 2nd floor of a detached garage structure. This property is located in the Low-Density Residential (R-1) Zoning District.

Michael C. Welt, Zoning / Codes Officer, announced that public notice was given, as required by law by publication in The Sentinel on February 28, 2019 and March 7, 2019, and the property was also posted and neighboring properties were notified by certified mail.

Mr. Tim Engle was sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Engle and his family live at 2600 Allen Glen Drive. They have lived there since 2006, and built the detached garage in 2011. Mr. Engle distributed photographs as Applicant’s Exhibit A. The photos were described, including the aerial, and photos of the detached garage. Initial concept years ago was to finish the garage upstairs for parents. But until now, was left unfinished. Seeking relief to call this an accessory apartment, rather than play/bonus room.

Applicant stated he would not seek any income, and does not need income to support his property in relation to this project.

After a (5-0) vote, the Board went into executive session at 6:22pm. The board returned from executive session at 6:28pm.

After discussion, it was determined that the Board would take action on the application, as presented.

A motion made by Mr, Scicchitano and seconded by Mr. Melphis is:
RESOLVED, that the Special Exception for an Accessory Apartment, is hereby granted. The Applicant shall further comply with all applicable township, state and federal rules, regulations, ordinances and laws.

A roll call vote was taken, and Ms. Foschi, Mr. Scicchitano, Mr. Melphis, Mr. Schultz and Mr. Falvo voting in the affirmative (5-0).

OTHER BUSINESS

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.