



SOMERSET COUNTY
Board of Zoning Appeals MEETING MINUTES
July 19, 2019

The following are the minutes of the Somerset County Board of Zoning Appeals meeting held on the 19th day of July 2019 at 7:30PM in the meeting room of the Somerset County Commissioners, Room 111, in the Somerset County Office Complex, 11916 Somerset Avenue, Princess Anne, Maryland.

Board Members Present:

Chairman Brian Laird
Isaac Ballard
Andrew Baines
Paul Emely
Donald Price

Board Members Absent:

William Cottman

Others Present:

Gary R. Pusey, Director DTCS
Robert Sperry, Zoning Administrator

Chairman Laird Opened the Meeting at 7:30 P.M.

Subject of Appeal: Continuance of SE 18-2496 and SE 18-2497 from the BZA Jan. 18, 2019 Meeting.

On Jan. 18, 2019, the Board held Public Hearings on two requests from Michael Steven Martin to place two Travel Trailers on two separate and adjacent parcels to be used as temporary residences for no more than 30 days in a year, pursuant to section 5.2.b (14) of the Somerset County Zoning Code. The two parcels are located on the Northwest side of MD Rt. 413 (Crisfield Highway) approximately 430 feet to the Northeast side of Stanford RD, in the Lawson Election District, and can be found on Tax Map 64, Block 12, as Parcels 575 and 796. The Board delayed its decision for six (6) months to July 19, 2019, to provide the Applicant with an opportunity to address certain concerns of the Board, which will be considered at this time.

Testimony:

The case advertisement was read into the record. The Board determined the exact location of the parcel. Mr. Michael Martin of PA was sworn in. Chairman Laird asked Mr. Martin to express to the Board the changes that he has made to the property. Mr. Martin advised the Board that he had cleaned up the property and had removed most all of the trash from the property and he brought in

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a binder with information and photos of the property. He stated that the Health Department and 2 Kuz Septic Service company had been out to the property and finished the front septic system and will soon be starting on the back system. Mr. Martin also advised the Board that he had planted more trees out front.

Exhibit 1: Binder with information and property photos

Mr. Paul Emely asked if the two pop-up campers were removed from the property, Mr. Martin stated that they had been removed.

Mr. Andrew Baines advised Mr. Martin that he still had some work he needed to complete but overall the property looked much better.

There were no persons in attendance in opposition to the request.

Findings: Continuance of SE 18-2496 and SE 18-2497 from the BZA Jan. 18, 2019 Meeting

The Board voted to grant the SE to locate a road ready properly licensed Travel Trailer on Parcel 575 and 796, 4720 Crisfield Hwy, Marion, MD 21838. The Board further required as a condition of approval of the SE that the applicant grant a Right to Employees of the Dept. of Technical and Community Services and to members of this Board with or without notice to come on the property and inspect for compliance with this order and the previous order dated January 18, 2019 for a period of 5 years or until July 19, 2024.

Board Vote:

Laird-For
Ballard-For
Baines-For
Price-For
Emely-For

Subject of Appeal: Special Exception 2019-2508

Raymond Cullen and Laura Ann Sterling of 4330 Lawson Barnes Rd., Crisfield, MD 21817 have applied for a Special Exception to place a new, road ready, properly licensed 35 foot Travel Trailer on an Agriculture Residential (AR) zoned parcel to be used as a temporary residence for no more than 30 days in a year, pursuant to section 5.2.b (14) of the Somerset County Zoning Code. The parcel is located at 28190 Holland Crossing Rd. Marion, MD 21838. The property can be found on Tax Map 65, Block 10, and Parcel 207.

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Testimony:

The case advertisement was read into the record. The Board determined the exact location of the parcel. Mr. Raymond Cullen of Lawson Barnes Rd Crisfield MD was sworn in. Mr. Cullen advised the Board that when he purchased the two (2) lots they were over grown and has a SWMH, which is so old it has a tree growing through the middle of it. Mr. Cullen stated that he has been cleaning up the property for the last year, and would like to place this Travel Trailer on the property to use while he is there cleaning the property up. He also stated that in the near future that he would like to build a home on the property.

Findings: The Board voted unanimously to approve the placement of a road ready TT on Holland Crossing Rd.

Board Vote:

Laird-For
Ballard-For
Baines-For
Price-For
Emely-For


Subject of Appeal: Special Exception 2019-2509 Flonium Power LLC

Flonium Power LLC has asked for a continuance to the August 16, 2019 hearing.

On a motion made by Chairman Laird and seconded by Mr. Ballard, the Board of Zoning Appeals voted to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,


Brian Laird, Chairman/AW