

**TABERNACLE TOWNSHIP
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LAND DEVELOPMENT BOARD

AUGUST 15, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Chairman McNaughton, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Law. The meeting of August 15th was included in a list of notices sent to the Burlington County Times and the Central Record in January, 2012. It was posted as the required notices under the statute. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public, and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

The following Board members were present: Vince Conigliaro, Rick Franzen, Ray McCarty, Noble McNaughton, Dave Oiler, Betsy Piner and Denny Stevens. Members absent: Doug Cramer, Joe Yates, Mark LeMire and Ed Kagan.

Mr. Oiler made a motion to approve the Minutes from July 18th. Mr. Conigliaro seconded the motion. All members voted in agreement.

Mr. Franzen made a motion to approve the Minutes from August 1. Mr. Oiler seconded the motion. All members voted in agreement. Ms. Stevens abstained.

The following Resolutions were adopted:

**2012-12 CHARLES BRANDT – BLOCK 1402, LOT 24.05
2012-13 DAVID M. ELBERTSON – BLOCK 904, LOT 1.04
2012-14 MOORE DEER CLUB, INC. – BLOCK 1402, LOT 7**

JOHN DIPIETROPOLO – BLOCK 703.01, LOT 14

7 Sylvan Court

Variance/Solar

Mr. Dipietropolo and his son, John Dipietropolo, Jr. and Richard Albano of 4 Best Solar were sworn in.

The application is for a variance to install solar panels on the front roof of the house. The front roof is the only location that faces south. The installation will meet the demands of the house, and has been approved by the State of NJ and Atlantic City Electric.

The Board finds that the panels will be approximately 3 inches above the roof and 12 inches in from the edges of the roof. One or two trees will be removed, and a few others trimmed.

Dave Frank, Esq. advised the Board that they could make an interpretation of the Accessory Structure Ordinance, instead of granting a variance.

Ms. Stevens made a motion to interpret our Accessory Structure Ordinance to encompass the roof mounted solar panels. Mr. Oiler seconded the motion. All members voted in agreement.

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Mayor Franzen reported that the Medford Farms Fire Company has filed a law suit against the Township and the Rescue Squad over equipment that was donated to the Fire Company two years ago.

Ms. Piner advised the Board that the township will be reimbursed \$10,000 from the Pinelands Commission for the adoption of the Cluster Ordinance.

Ms. Stevens commented on a letter to the editor in the August 9 edition of the Central Record. Ms. Stevens was one of the three Board members who initially denied the cell tower application after carefully weighing all the negative and positive criteria. She strongly disagrees with the comments in the letter that this denial led to unnecessary litigation and additional costs to township residents and local businesses. In Ms. Stevens' opinion, the Board followed due process of law and since the cell tower application was remanded back to the Board, it shows that this was not an obvious decision as stated in the article.

Having nothing further, the meeting was adjourned.