The November meeting of the Upper Allen Township Zoning Hearing Board was called to order by Chairperson Jean Foschi, at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 14, 2019. In addition to the Chairperson, the following board members were present, to wit, Vice-Chairperson, Gary Scicchitano, Robert Melphis, Gerald Schultz and Philip Falvo. Also present was Christopher Fisher, Solicitor.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Scicchitano and seconded by Mr. Melphis to approve the Minutes from the October 10, 2019 meeting. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously (4-0)

VARIANCE NO. 19-06 Joseph Roberts 931 East Lisburn Road, Chapter 245-5.3D(1)(b)

Joseph Roberts, 931 East Lisburn Road, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055. Applicant is requesting a Variance of Section 245-5.3D(1)(b) to allow the construction of a deck within the 30-foot side and rear setbacks. 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 October 31, 2019 and November 7, 2019, and the property was also posted, and neighboring properties were notified by certified mail.

Mr. Joseph Roberts was sworn in to give testimony. Mr. Roberts and his family live at 931 East Lisburn Road. Mr. Roberts spoke to the physical situation of the property. Deck is desired for more usable space, as the property in the rear of the house is very muddy.

Mr. Fisher asked if other neighbors have decks. Mr. Roberts answered no. They do have patios and carports. Mr. Fisher asks if the applicant currently has a deck. Mr. Roberts answers yes, from a previous owner. There is also an existing concrete pad (stoop) that comes out from the rear garage door. There are some pavers that extend out from this concrete pad. The existing deck will be removed, and the area incorporated into the new deck.

After a (5-0) vote, the Board went into executive session at 6:16pm. The board returned from executive session at 6:32pm

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 Board approve the variance as requested by the Applicant from Section 245.5.3(D)(1)(b), to permit the construction of a deck within the thirty (30) foot side and rear setbacks.

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 at 6:34pm.