Zoning Board Town of Augusta November 9, 2022

Members present: Ernest Staelens, Anne Brown, Keith Williams.. Meeting called to order 6:50 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance recited.

New Business: Anne made a motion to accept the minutes from the October 12, 2022 meeting. Skip Staelens, seconded. Ernest, aye; Keith, aye, Anne, aye. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board addressed the proposed reduction of salary for 2023 Zoning Board members. They agreed with the Planning Board on the proposed salary change by the Town Board..." return to the previous salary arrangements of only paying the board members for their training and whatever meetings they attended. The Town Board also wanted to reduce the payment from \$50.00 to \$40.00 per session attended. No one on the Board agreed to the reduced payment. Given they have been trying to bring the number of board members back to 5, if they couldn't fill the vacated position at the higher amount, chances were they would not be able to fill it at the lower amount. With the cost of living rising, and the cost of fuel rising, offering a lower amount of pay did not seem acceptable."

Vouchers were completed for the 2022 year.

Old Business: The Board members reviewed the Planning Board's recommendation for the solar power provisions and Ernest Staelens will reach out to some of the contacts he made during his training to see if they could offer some assistance. They were concerned that the amount available for reimbursement for this consultant was not very much.

A motion was made by Anne to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Skip. Anne, aye; Ernest, aye; Keith, aye. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Secretary,

Zoning Board of Appeals

Town of Augusta

Cc: Town S

Town Supervisor

Town Clerk //
Codes Officer

Planning Board