



Jerusalem Township Board of Zoning Appeals

Purpose: The purpose of the Jerusalem Township Board of Zoning Appeals is to hear and rule on any timely submitted request by a Township Resident to appeal a Zoning Board decision or matter of interpretation.

Membership: The Board of Zoning Appeals is made up of five (5) members and up to two (2) alternates. The five members each serve a five (5) year term. The terms are staggered so that no more than one expires each year. The Alternate positions are two year terms and staggered so that one term expires at the end of each year.

Board of Zoning Appeal Applicant Requirements:

- A) Must be a Jerusalem Township Property Owner
- B) Must be 18 years of age or older
- C) There are no current, pending, or unresolved zoning citations against the applicant or any property owned by the applicant.
- D) The applicant possesses attributes and talents that would benefit the Township.
- E) Serve as ambassador for Jerusalem Township.

Duties of the Board of Zoning Appeals

The Board of Zoning Appeals shall have the following authority:

- A) To organize, adopt rules, hold meetings and keep records as required by law.
- B) To hear and decide appeals where it is alleged there is error in any order, requirement, decision, or determinations made by the Zoning Inspector in the enforcement of this Resolution. This includes hearing and deciding matters of interpretation of the provisions of the text of this Resolution and the “Official Jerusalem Township Zoning Map”.
- C) To authorize, upon appeal, in specific cases such variance from the terms of this Resolution as will not be contrary to the public interest, where owing to special conditions, a literal enforcement of the Resolution will result in unnecessary hardship, and so that the spirit of this Resolution shall be observed and substantial justice done. No variance shall be granted except in conformance with the provisions of Section 2604 of this Resolution.
- D) To allow the construction of more than one (1) main building on a single parcel unless specifically permitted in Section 1605 – Supplemental Regulations.

If you are interested in serving on the Jerusalem Township Board of Zoning Board Appeals, please contact:

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