

Hardship and Grievance Commission
Evansdale City Hall
January 19, 2017

The Hardship and Grievance Commission met on January 19, 2017 at the Evansdale City Hall at 5:30 p.m. to review the garbage exemption applications. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairperson Gene Walker. Present: Dottie Wear, Gene Walker, Sandy Clements, and Joelle Strader. Absent: Steve Seible. Quorum present.

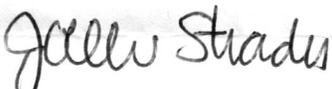
Strader/Wear to approve the January 19, 2017 agenda. Ayes four. Motion carried.

Wear/Walker to approve the July 21, 2016 minutes. Ayes four. Motion carried.

There were ten (10) applications submitted prior to the deadline of January 12, 2017. Nine (9) of the applications were approved for garbage exemption. One (1) of the applications was denied for exceeding the income guideline. Clements pointed out that one of the applications had a missing address. Walker stated that he would instruct the Deputy Clerk to review future applications to ensure they are complete and not missing any information. Strader questioned if there was any alternate documentation that could be accepted as proof of eligibility. Clements stressed that each applicant's income should be individually reviewed and mentioned that the new sewer rate increase may impact the guidelines. Walker stated that the commission just reviewed the income guidelines at the July 21, 2016 meeting and does so every two years. However with the recent change to sewer rates Walker suggested that the commission should review the current guidelines and compare them to what the current SNAP guidelines are at the next meeting.

Strader inquired if there was an alternate more secure manner of delivering the meeting packets other than using postal delivery. Walker added that the meeting packets should be delivered in another fashion and would inquire into other delivery options. It was also discussed that Strader was going to notify the mayor that she intends to resign from the commission. The next meeting was set for July 20, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

There being no further discussion, Walker/Wear to adjourn at 5:55 p.m. Ayes four. Motion carried.


Joelle Strader, Secretary