PORTER TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS 69373 Baldwin Prairie RD, Union, MI 49130 Variance Request from Brock and Denise Vagis Parcel #14-120-030-006-50 Application #16-9604 April 21, 2016

Meeting was called to order at 6 pm with pledge to the flag by Chairman Jon White. Roll Call:: Present; Steve Northrup, Hank Yeomans, Tom Robbins and Jon White. Absent; Jamie Thompson. Present Alternates: Diane Konneck and Robert McDonald. Alternate Diane Konneck was seated on the board and was designated Interim Secretary.

Motion made by Hank Yeomans and supported by Steve Northrup to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Minutes from April 7, 2016 hearing made by Steve Northrup and supported by Hank Yeomans. Motion carried.

Chairman Jon White opened the public hearing outlining the request. Brock and Denise Vagis desire to build 2 accessory buildings for a combined total of 2200 square feet.

Brock and Denise Vagis presented the Board with the plans for their buildings and the reasons for desiring a variance.

Communications from two neighbors who are in support of the request were read.

Steve Northrup made a motion to close the public portion of the hearing, supported by Yeomans.

Motion carried.

After deliberation Steve Northrup made a motion to deny the variance based on Zoning Ordinance 111.508 (e), multiple accessory buildings cannot exceed 1500 square feet. Motion was supported Diane Konneck. Roll call vote taken: Yeomans, Northrup, Robbins, Konneck and White, all yes.

Suggestions were given by the Board to the Vagis' on how to achieve their desires without the need of a variance.

Tom Robbins reported from Planning Commission that they received the ZBA letter requesting consideration of changes to some zoning ordinances.

Steve Northrup informed that there will be a picnic for all Township employees and their families at Dr. Lawless Park July 17th. More details will follow.

Motion to adjourn made by Northrup, supported by Konneck at 6:43 pm Motion carried.

Diane Konneck, Interim Secretary