PORTER TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING HELD AT PORTER TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION BUILDING 69373 BALDWIN PRAIRIE ROAD, UNION, MICHIGAN 49130 VARIANCE REQUEST FROM JOSH HENDRICKS PARCEL #14-120-130-003-00 APPLICATION #17-9734 FEBURARY 23, 2017

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Jon White with the Pledge to the Flag at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Jon White, Jamie Thompson, Diane Konneck, Hank Yeomans were Present

Alternates: Robert McDonald, Present

ABSENT: Tom Harman

Robert McDonald was seated on the board.

MOTION: Made by Diane Konneck supported by Jamie Thompson to approve the agenda.

Voice vote: unanimous

Josh Hendricks shared his plans to renovate an existing pole barn and boat house with the board and public.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE:

Following residents voice their support in favor of the request:

John Wenger 15424 Joseph Road Vandalia, Michigan 49095

Jody Landis 65680 Lakeview Drive Vandaila, Michigan 49095

Dzung Nguyen 66077 South Drive Cassopolis, Michigan 49031

Darren Neer 65341 North Drive Cassopolis, Michigan 49031

Matt Hazelbaker 65853 South Drive Cassopolis, Michigan

CORRESPONDENCE:

Josh Hendricks submitted "Letters of Support" that he obtain from Shavehead Lake Residents.

Received a letter in support dated January 29, 2017 from:

Rick and Cindy Burns 65543 North Drive Cassopolis, Michigan 49031

MOTION: Made by Diane Konneck supported by Jamie Thompson to close the public hearing.

Voice voice: unanimous

ZONING BOARD of APPEALS DELIBERATES AND DISCUSSES:

Discussion around change of use. Mr. Hendricks indicated he may seek legal action, because he felt that he didn't need variance in the first place.

MOTION: Made by Jamie Thompson to obtain a legal opinion. There was no support, motion failed.

More discussion on change of use. Jamie Thompson expressed concern that were was nothing in the law giving the ZBA power to grant or deny. It was felt that is was not needed.

MOTION: Made by Diane Konneck supported by Hank Yeomans to remove 111.801(d) from application #17-9734.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Diane Konneck-Yes, Robert McDonald-Yes, Hank Yeomans-Yes, Jamie Thompson-No, Jon White-Yes

MOTION: Made by Robert McDonald supported by Hank Yeomans to approve application #17-9734 as amended

ROLL CALL VOTE: Diane Konneck-Yes, Robert McDonald-Yes, Hank Yeomans-Yes, Jamie Thompson-No, Jon White-Yes

OTHER MATTERS:

Discussion on communication with Township Board Members. Will write a letter to them reminded them of that issue and P.A.184 rules.

Voice vote: unanimous

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT:

None/ Planning Commission has not replaced Tom Robbins.

MOTION: Made by Jamie Thompson supported by Jon White to adjourn at 7:13 p.m.

Voice vote: unanimous

Respectfully summited,

Jamie Thompson Secretary, Zoning Board of Appeals