

Meeting was called to order by Jon White at 6:03 pm

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Roll Call called by Robert McDonald. Pat Williams, Jon White, Hank Yeomans, Diane Konneck, Tom Harmon and Robert McDonald were all present.

Approval of agenda approved. Diane Konneck made motion, Tom Harmon seconded. Approved unanimously.

Approval of minutes of last meeting. Tom Harmon made motion, Diane Konneck seconded.

Open issues: Variance request by Mueller family #17-9759. Randy Hummer of 61685 Myrtle Trail South Bend, IN 46614 spoke on behalf of Mueller family stating reasons why variance was needed. Jon White stated there were many letters of opposition to variance request. Andrew Horn, attorney for John and Ilene Healy of 70944 Baldwin Landing spoke about his client's reasoning for opposing variance request. Brian Malhern of 70932 Vista View Dr. Union, MI 49130 sent in 10 page letter of opposition to variance request. Paul Delano said that he supported variance request but believes language needs changed in current zoning ordinance regulations. There was one letter of support to variance request. Tom Harmon decided to recuse himself from voting due to potential conflict of interest. Motion was made by Hank Yeomans and seconded by Pat Williams to close public hearing on this request. This motion was passed unanimously by all members in attendance.

ZBA deliberation: Motion made by Diane Konneck citing 111.508C and seconded by Hank Yeomans to deny variance request.

Robert McDonald called for votes: Diane Konneck (yes), Hank Yeomans (yes), Pat Williams (yes) Jon White (yes) Robert McDonald (no).

A (yes) vote called for the variance request to be denied. Variance request denied.

Open issues: Variance request by Angel Bergan, Application number 9765 whose address is 63374 Birch Road, Vandalia, Michigan 49095. Mrs. Bergan explained her need for variance. There were 2 letters of opposition to variance request.

Motion to close public hearing was made by Diane Konneck and seconded by Hank Yeomans. This was passed unanimously.

ZBA deliberation: Part A, requesting height no more than 40' was removed from variance request by reason of 111.804. Motion made by Diane Konneck and seconded Pat Williams to remove. Vote was taken and there was no opposition.

Part B, 111.804 Distance from water's edge approved. Diane Konneck made motion to approve application and seconded by Pat Williams. Vote passed unanimously.

New Business: Next meeting scheduled for June 8, 2017 at 6 PM. Pat Williams talked and commission wants to leave accessory buildings at 1,200 square feet. He stated that a system may need to be put in place, depending on lot size, where an accessory building of greater than 1,200 square feet could be added without need of variance. He also suggested possibility of setting townships into districts for the same purpose.

Pat Williams stated that according to Marty Russel, Robert McDonald is an official Board of Zoning Appeals member.

Adjournment: Jon White adjourned meeting at 7:27 PM. A motion was made by Diane Konneck and seconded by Tom Harmon to adjourn meeting. Motion passed unanimously.