

GOODLAND TOWNSHIP
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
JUNE 5, 2013

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A meeting of the Goodland Township Board was held at the Goodland Township Hall, located at 2374 N Van Dyke Rd, Imlay City, MI 48444; pursuant to notice duly posted.

Board Members Present: Sommer, Tanis, Kohler, Walton
Board Members Absent: Hummel
Others Present: Karen Gonzalez, Debbie Tanis, John & Tracey Ramsey

Chair Sommer called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

OFFICERS

Motion 06-13-01ZBA

Motion by Tanis, seconded by Kohler, re-elect the officers as follows: Rob Sommer as Chair, Earl Hummel as Vice-Chair and Cameron Walton as Secretary.

MOTION CARRIED.

MINUTES

Motion 06-13-02ZBA

Motion by Sommer, seconded by Walton, to approve the minutes of October 9, 2012 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC TIME—no one wished to address the Commission.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS—nothing to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

Ramsey Hearing—the Ramseys own property on Van Dyke. There is a brick “shop” building that was constructed in the 1940s. Mr. Ramsey would like to erect a 12’ x 32’ lean-to addition on the building. This requires a variance due to the fact that the building is closer than the Zoning Ordinance allows to the N property line. However the addition will be to the south side of the building and will not expand the non-conformance.

Motion 06-13-03ZBA

Motion by Sommer, seconded by Tanis, to approve the variance for parcel # 44-009-029-008-00 as per the request of John & Tracey Ramsey to allow construction of a 12’ x 32’ lean-to addition on the south side of the existing brick building. The request is being granted due to the fact that the building existed prior to Zoning in Goodland Twp. so the hardship is not self-created. The property is unique and the character of the area will not change as the use of the building and property is not changing. Additionally since the building is existing, any alterations cannot be constructed to be in conformance with the Ordinance, but since the addition is being constructed on the south side the non-conformance will not be increased.

MOTION CARRIED, with a roll call vote: Kohler, yes; Sommer, yes; Walton, yes; and Tanis, yes.

It was the consensus of the ZBA members to meet next on Wednesday, November 6, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. to elect 2014 officers and establish a meeting schedule.

Meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m. These minutes are correct to the best of my knowledge.

Robert Sommer, Chair

Cameron Walton, Secretary