

CLARK TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Meeting Minutes of September 28, 2021, Tuesday 7 PM

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mr. Pearson at 7:00 pm

ROLL CALL: Members present: Pearson Schuster, Eberts

Absent: Pieri

Others present: Robert Herrick, Jr., Wendi Herrick

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: *Moved by Mr. Eberts, seconded by Mr. Schuster to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion passed.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: May 25, 2021

Motion: *Moved by Mr. Eberts, seconded by Mr. Schuster to approve the minutes of May 25, 2021 All Ayes. Motion carried.*

CORRESPONDENCE

Two written correspondences were received: Ms. Marty Kirchner, Trustee for the Gray Family Trust, 1554 S Hill Island Rd, Cedarville, MI 49719; and Allen and Ann Kowalski, 1603 S Hill Island Road, Cedarville, MI 49719. (on file)

NEW BUSINESS: Case #302 Robert, Jr., and Wendi Herrick appeal for a dimensional variance to construct a 30-foot by 60-foot storage building. Original request was denied by the Building Inspector because the addition of the storage building together with an existing garage would exceed the allowable square footage for storage on the property.

Mr. Pearson asked, "Why not tear down the shed and be within the allowed square footage?"

Mr. Herrick said keeping the shed was raised by his son as it stores fishing equipment and beach items, and the building has been there since 1950. He has 2 ½ acres of land, it won't be seen from the water or the road, we will plant more trees eventually and told Sherlund to only cut what was necessary.

Mr. Pearson said the building is more of a shed than garage, that one couldn't put a fishing boat in there. That if it was torn down, it couldn't be replaced because of its location near the water, that it is just a beach shed.

Motion: *Mr. Eberts moved to approve the appeal for a variance because it is within the spirit of the ordinance, not visible from the water or road, no neighbor objections but with neighbor support, there are similar buildings within the neighborhood, it is necessary to prevent blight, the lot size could be split if necessary and then a variance would not be needed. Mr. Schuster seconded.*

Roll call vote: *Pearson, yes; Schuster, yes; Eberts, yes. 3 aye, 0 nay. Motion approved.*

OLD BUSINESS:

NONE

ADJOURNMENT: *Mr. Eberts moved to adjourn meeting at 7:20 pm, Mr. Schuster seconded. Vote: all aye.*