

PROPOSED MINUTES  
LAKETOWN TOWNSHIP  
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
4338 BEELINE ROAD  
ALLEGAN COUNTY  
HOLLAND, MI 49423  
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June 23, 2021

ARTICLE I: CALL TO ORDER

Kimes called the regular monthly Zoning Board of Appeals meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jim Delaney, Barb Hibiske (Zoom at 6:10 p.m.), Casey Kimes, Marcia Perry, Richard Swanson

STAFF PRESENT: Al Meshkin – Manager; Jim Hayden – Public information officer

ARTICLE II: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Motion by Perry, second by Delaney, to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2021. Chair Kimes called for a vote on the motion. VOICE VOTE. MOTION APPROVED.**

ARTICLE III: OLD BUSINESS

a. Porter Variance Request

Chairman Kimes explained the request is back before the board after last month's meeting because state law requires a majority of the entire board not just those members present is needed to approve the variance.

Lorie Mann Porter and William D.B. Porter, 2202 Crescent Walk, lots 180 and 181 of Macatawa Park, parcel # 0311-340-181-00, relating to Section 38-242 (1) and (3) of the Zoning Ordinance, request a variance from regulations requiring a minimum 40-foot front and rear setback to build a new home having less than the minimum required setbacks. William A. Sikkell addressed the board for the Porters and restated background from the previous meeting.

Sikkel said the lot is small and irregularly shaped and the setback requirements make the lot unbuildable. Sikkel said the porch will not be enclosed but will be covered. Lorie Mann Porter, via Zoom, said there are no plans to pave the parking area.

(Note Hibike's Zoom connection over her phone disconnected several times. She reconnected several times as well getting stable connection at 6:18 p.m.)

Perry said the new building footprint is larger than the current structure and that the numbers on the drawing provided do not add up. She said approving a variance for setbacks from 40 feet to 10 feet is a considerable distance

Swanson said further erosion control is needed to protect the shore from Lake Michigan high water. Sikkel said the Porters do not own the land between the lake and their property but are in negotiations to buy it. Porter stated the state is pleased the home is being moved back from the lake but did not require it be moved.

**Motion by Delaney, second by Swanson, to approve the site plan as proposed. Chair Kimes called for a vote on the motion. ROLL CALL. YES – Swanson, Kimes, Delaney. NO – Perry, Hibiske. MOTION APPROVED 3-2.**

ARTICLE IV: NEW BUSINESS – None

ARTICLE V: CITIZENS COMMENTS -- None

ARTICLE VI: ADJOURNMENT

Chair Kimes adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.