

PROPOSED MINUTES
LAKETOWN TOWNSHIP
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
4338 BEELINE ROAD
ALLEGAN COUNTY
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November 30, 2015

ARTICLE I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman David Weishaar called the regular monthly Zoning Board of Appeals meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Mr. Weishaar introduced the members of the board and staff to the audience.

MEMBERS PRESENT: David Weishaar, Bob Slikkers, Jim Johnson,
Richard Swanson, Carl Blauwkamp
MEMBERS ABSENT: Casey Kimes, Ed Stielstra
STAFF PRESENT: Al Meshkin – Township Manager
Diane Ybarra – Recording Secretary

ARTICLE II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Zoning Board of Appeals members reviewed the minutes of the October 26, 2015 meeting. **A motion was made by Bob Slikkers and seconded by Jim Johnson to approve the minutes with a correction to 4.A. to note the approval contingent on compliance with the conditions reflected in the report resolution approved on 1/26/2015. Weishaar called for a vote on the motion. UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED.**

ARTICLE III. OLD BUSINESS

A. TIMBERSTONE BUILDERS VARIANCE REQUEST

Timberstone Builders, owner or agent of property located at 2426 Waukazoo Trail, that being tax parcel #0311-340-295-50, requests a variance from section 38-242(1) of the zoning code. This section requires a minimum 40' front yard setback. Timberstone Builders would like to construct a covered porch on the existing cottage on this parcel that would not meet the minimum front setback requirements.

Weishaar referenced the recently submitted survey and picture clarifying the request. Slikkers said it became clearer with the survey and picture noting that the existing nonconformance does not get worse with this request. Weishaar asked for other discussion.

Following discussion, **a motion was made by Bob Slikkers and seconded by Carl Blauwkamp to approve the Timberstone Builders variance request finding the standards and requirements stated in Section 38.118(1) have been met, finding that no further encroachment of a worsening condition exist, in compliance with the application and all federal, state, county and township laws and ordinances and the written and verbal representation provided at this meeting and in the minutes. Weishaar called for a vote on the motion. UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

ARTICLE IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. CHANGE MEETING DAY TO 4TH WEDNESDAY

Chairman Weishaar proposed a change in the meeting day from the last Monday of the month to the fourth Wednesday of the month beginning in January.

Following discussion, **a motion was made by Slikkers and seconded by Johnson to approve the change in meeting day from the last Monday of the month to the fourth Wednesday. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 27, 2016. Weishaar called for a vote on the motion. UNANIMOUS DECISION – MOTION APPROVED**

ARTICLE V. CITIZENS COMMENTS – No comments.

ARTICLE VI. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Weishaar adjourned the meeting at 7:12 P.M.