

**Ash Township
Zoning Board of Appeals
Meeting Minutes
September 6, 2016**

Held on: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Sid Stumpmier on Tuesday, September 6, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in the Ash Township Hall, 1677 Ready Road, Carleton, Michigan.

Members Present: Sid Stumpmier, Jim Booth, Ron Keilman and Bryan Campbell.

Members Absent: Darrell Mossburg and Jerry Hunter.

Others Present: Jim Vaslo – Township Manager and 6 citizens.

Chairman Stumpmier asked if everyone received a copy of the June 5, 2016, meeting minutes and if there were any additions or corrections.

Motion #366 Motion to Approve Minutes.

Motion by Booth supported by Keilman to approve the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting minutes of June 5, 2016, as presented. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Motion #367 Agenda Approval.

Motion by Keilman supported by Booth to approve the agenda as amended. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

1. A **Public Hearing** for Richard & Rhonda Belinc owners of parcel #5801-029-006-10, commonly known as 10685 Grafton Road, Carleton, MI 48117, who is requesting a variance from Article 21, Section 21.05.7, which limits the height of an accessory building to one (1) story or fourteen (14) feet.

Motion #368 Open the Public Hearing.

Motion by Keilman supported by Booth to open the Public Hearing for Parcel # 5801-029-006-10 and the requested variance. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

The applicants were present and Mrs. Belinc spoke. She explained that the proposed accessory building will meet all the requirements of the zoning ordinance except the height restrictions. The building is proposed with 12 ft doors which will require a 14 ft wall and an overall height of

18ft 6 inches, measured at the means. The commission had several questions of the applicant regarding the reason for the height and the placement of the building on the property. The members were also adamant that the building cannot be used for commercial endeavor in the future. Manager Vaslo read two letters, one from Curtis White and one from Darrel & Sandra Mossburg. Both spoke in favor of the variance. Manager Vaslo noted that the Township received no other comments, written or verbal, for or against the proposed variance. Harry Freeman and Jim Smith both spoke of their concerns that the building would be used for a commercial purpose. They were satisfied with the applicant assurances that the building is for their personal use only.

Motion #369 Close the Public Hearing.

Motion by Booth supported by Stumpmier to close the Public Hearing for Parcel # 5801-029-006-10 and the requested variance. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Motion #370 Open the Finding of Facts.

Motion by Keilman supported by Stumpmier to open the finding of facts on the requested variance for Parcel # 5801-029-006-10. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

- Facts-Stumpmier- There were no objections, written or verbal, to the requested variance. Supported by Keilman.
- Fact-Booth- The applicant stated that they have no intentions of using the building for commercial purposes. Supported by Stumpmier.
- Fact-Campbell- The proposed building will meet all required setbacks. Supported by Keilman.

Motion #371 Close the Finding of Facts.

Motion by Booth supported by Campbell to close the finding of facts. Voice vote taken. Motion carried.

Motion #372 To Grant Requested Variance.

Motion by Booth supported by Keilman to grant the height variance for Parcel #5801-029-006-10, allowing for an accessory building to be built with an overall height of 18 foot 6 inches, measured at the means. Roll Call: 4-Yes, 0-No. Motion carried.

Motion #373 Adjournment.

Motion by Booth supported by Campbell to adjourn at 7:20 p.m. Voice vote taken. Motion approved.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jim Vaslo
Township Manager

