

**FRENCHTOWN CHARTER TOWNSHIP
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY July 8, 2020**

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM

ROLL CALL: Ignazio Cuccia Peggy Barton
Hedwig Kaufman
Robert Polk Daniel Weder

Also present:

Joseph Lehmann, Building Official
Cindy Allor, Recording Secretary
Mr. Phillip Goldsmith, Monroe County Legal Counsel
Mr. Andrew Clark, Monroe County Museum Director
Tara Pogarch, applicant
Barbara Brooks, applicant
2 citizens

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by members and attendees.

ITEM NO.1 Appoint Officers for the 2020 year.

MOTION

A motion was made to elect the current slate of Officers.

Moved By: Ignazio Cuccia Supported By: Peggy Barton MUC

ITEM NO.2 AGENDA APPROVAL

MOTION

Moved By: Ignazio Cuccia Supported By: Daniel Weder MUC

A motion was made to approve the agenda.

ITEM NO.3 APPROVE MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 13, 2019

MOTION

A motion to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2019 meeting as presented.

Moved By: Hedwig Kaufman Supported By: Peggy Barton MUC

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APPROVED

ITEM NO.4 APPROVE MINUTES FROM MARCH 11, 2020

MOTION

A motion to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2020 meeting as presented.

Moved By: Hedwig Kaufman

Supported By: Peggy Barton

MUC

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2020 meeting.

Secretary Ignazio Cuccia read the legal notices published in the Monroe Evening News on June 9 and June 18, 2020.

MOTION

A motion was made to place on file the legal notices and all correspondence.

Moved By: Ignazio Cuccia

Supported By: Daniel Weder

MUC

ITEM NO. 5 County of Monroe/Monroe County Historical Commission regarding Parcel ID# 07 945 058 00 which is located at 3775 N. Custer MONROE, MI 48162. The applicant has requested a variance from the requirements of Township Zoning Ordinance No. 200, Sections 4.42.2 and 4.42.3 to install a 6 ft. privacy fence in the front yard setback area.

Mr. Phillip Goldsmith and Mr. Andrew Clark presented on behalf of Monroe County Historical Commission. The gentlemen answered any questions.

MOTION

Moved By: Ignazio Cuccia

Supported By: Daniel Weder

MUC

A motion was made to open the public hearing.

There were no public comments.

MOTION

Moved By: Ignazio Cuccia

Supported By: Daniel Weder

MUC

A motion was made to close the public hearing.
The members discussed the case.

MOTION

Moved By: Ignazio Cuccia

Supported By: Daniel Weder

MUC

A motion was made to grant the variance as requested for the reason that it meets the requirements of Article 31.

Roll call vote: Ignazio Cuccia- Y Hedwig Kaufman- Y Peggy Barton- Y Robert Polk- Y
Daniel Weder- Y

5-Yes votes 0-No votes

MUC

ITEM NO.7 Tara Pogarch regarding ID# 07 007 035 10 which is located at 7790 REINHARDT MONROE, MI 48162. The Applicant has requested a variance from the 50 ft. front yard setback requirement of Article 21.00 Schedule of Regulations to construct an attached garage.

Ms. Pogarch and her father Dennis Pogarch presented the case and answered any questions.

MOTION

Moved By: Hedwig Kaufman

Supported By: Peggy Barton

MUC

A motion was made to open the public hearing.

Board members asked for clarity from Ms. Pogarch to be sure that the garage is intended for storage only, and not as living quarters as that is not permitted by the Ordinance. Ms. Pogarch confirmed that the garage is solely for storage.

There were no public comments.

MOTION

Moved By: Hedwig Kaufman

Supported By: Daniel Weder

MUC

A motion was made to close the public hearing.

The members discussed the case.

MOTION

Moved By: Hedwig Kaufman

Supported By: Daniel Weder

MUC

A motion was made to grant the variance as requested for the that it meet sthe requirement of Article 31.

Roll call vote: Ignazio Cuccia-Y Hedwig Kaufman- Y Peggy Barton- Y Robert Polk- Y
Daniel Weder- Y

5-Yes votes 0-No votes

MUC

*A brief recess was taken tp accommodate a Board member for a period of minutes . All other Board Members and parties remained in the Meeting Room.

ITEM NO. 8 Barbara Brooks regarding Property ID# 07 013 015 21 which is located at POST/NEWPORT NEWPORT, MI 48166. The Applicant has requested a 10 ft. variance from requirements of Township Zoning Ordinance No. 200, Section No. 4.33.2. to construct a new single family home.

Ms. Brooks and Tracie Cox presented the case and answered any questions.

Building Official Joseph Lehman provided clarity on side yard setbacks.

MOTION

Moved By: Ignazio Cuccia

Supported By: Peggy Barton

MUC

A motion was made to open the public hearing and because there is no public present at the meeting to comment, to close the public hearing as well.

MOTION

Moved By: Ignazio Cuccia

Supported By: Hedwig Kaufman

MUC

A motion was made to deny the variance for the reason that it does not meet the requirements of Article 31.

Roll call vote: Ignazio Cuccia- Y Peggy Barton- Y Hedwig Kaufman- Y Robert Polk-Y Daniel Weder-Y

5-Yes votes 0- No votes

ITEM NO. 9 OLD BUSINESS

None to report

ITEM NO.10 NEW BUSINESS

Inquiry about trailers at State Park

ITEM NO.11 BOARD COMMENTS

None to report

ITEM NO.12 ADJOURMENT

Motion By: Ignazio Cuccia

Supported By: Peggy Barton

MUC

A Motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:23 PM