

**BYRON TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
REGULAR MEETING – November 27, 2002
MINUTES**

The regular meeting of the Byron Township Board of Appeals was called to order by Chairman Abe Vander Woude on Wednesday November 27, 2002 at 7:00 P.M., at the Byron Township Offices, 8085 Byron Center Ave., Byron Center, MI.

Members present were: Abe Vander Woude, Seymour Gould, Jeff Brinks and Kathy Burgess.
Absent: Jim Haagsma.

**7:00 p.m. Scott Vander Sloot - for a 561 sq ft. accessory building area variance located at:
3810 - 100th St. SW**

Mr. Jeff Brinks read the public notice. All property owners within 300 feet of the subject property were notified and no written responses were received.

Scott Vander Sloot was present to state why this variance is needed. He stated that the way the house is positioned on the lot I would like to utilize as much of the property as I can. The former owner used the barn for a horse barn. The greenhouse has to be torn down. I would use the additional space for storage, and to work on equipment. I am asking for a 24' addition now so I won't have to come back in a couple years.

No public comments were made.

Chairman Abe Vander Woude closed the public portion of the meeting.

Mr. Vander Woude asked about the height of the building. Mr. Vander Sloot comments that the height would be 32' high, and would continue the existing roof line.

Mr. Brinks asked as to how many acres he had. Scott responded by saying it was just under 2 acres.

Mr. Vander Woude stated that the present building is 1280 sq ft. This would be quit an addition. He can go the 10'. There is no extra ordinary circumstance to this property. If we start this, everyone will want an extra 10 or 14'.

After some additional discussion a motion was made by Gould supported by Brinks to deny this variance request as it does not go along with Byron Township Ordinance Article 21.6, 1, 2 and 3.

Roll call vote: Brinks - yes, Burgess - yes, Gould - yes, Vander Woude - yes.
Motion carried. Variance denied.

Approval of the minutes of the October 23, 2002

A motion was made by Gould supported Burgess to approve the October 23, 2002 Zoning Board of Appeals minutes. All voted aye. Motion Carried.

7:15 p.m. Donald Carpenter - for a 14' front yard setback variance located at: 6507 S. Division.

Mr. Jeff Brinks read the public notice. All property owners within 300 feet of the subject property were notified, and no written responses were received.

Mr. Carpenter stated that they would like to enclose a dock area, parallel along side of the building. We make furniture parts, so we have wood products shipped to us, and if the dock area is enclosed it would keep a lot of the wood supplies that come in dry. This property is unique because our frontage is basically the side yard. We will only be enclosing the dock.

No public comments were made.

Chairman Abe Vander Woude closed the public portion of the meeting.

After some discussion a motion was made by Brinks supported by Gould to grant this variance as it meets the Byron Township Ordinance Article 21.6, 1, 2 and 3. and that the shed be removed west of the building.

Roll call vote: Burgess - yes, Vander Woude - yes, Gould - yes, Brinks - yes.
Motion Carried. Variance granted.

Miscellaneous

At the October 23, 2002 Board of Appeals meeting it was decided not to meet in December, unless a variance application was received. An application was received and a meeting date must be set.

After some discussion a motion was made by Gould supported by Burgess to meet on December 18, 2002 at 5:00 pm.

All voted aye. Motion Carried.

Adjournment

7:30 p.m. It was moved by Burgess supported by Gould to adjourn the meeting. All voted aye.
Motion Carried.

Jeff Brinks
Secretary of Board of Appeals