

***BYRON TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
MEETING – December 27, 2006
MINUTES***

A meeting of the Byron Township Board of Appeals was called to order by Chairman Abe Vander Woude on Wednesday, December 27, 2006, at 5:00 p.m., at the Byron Township Offices, 8085 Byron Center Ave. Byron Center, Mi.

Members present were: Abe Vander Woude, Seymour Gould, James Haagsma, Kathy Burgess, Jeff Brinks and alternate Doug Tubergen. Also present was Byron Township Building Inspector Randy Zomerlei and Recording Secretary LaVonne Kuiper.

Approval of Minutes – November 22, 2006

A motion was made by Haagsma supported by Burgess to approve the minutes as written. Yes - 5. No - 0. Motion Carried.

Titan Equipment

Chairman Vander Woude commented that Titan Equipment sent a letter requesting the review and extension of the variance for his site plan. He did say the Planning Commission has a couple issues with the site and asked Seymour to explain the situation.

Seymour Gould explained that the original site plan that was approved for Titan included the house and driveway located in front on Titan Equipment. Titan received a variance from the Board of Appeals to have a non-paved parking area where the house used to be. The house was torn down and removed without a permit. And the variance that was granted was for that area. That piece of property was never rezoned D-1 Industrial like Titan Equipment is. So that little parcel is still zoned R-S Suburban Residential. This piece of property has to be rezoned to D-1 before the Board of Appeals extends their variance for another year.

We have never received any complaints about this site.

The applicant was told to get the needed paper work and application and get it to the Building Department by January 3, 2007. The Planning Commission will then set the Public Hearing for February 19, 2007 meeting. If the application is not received by January 3, 2007 a civil infraction will be issued.

After some additional discussion a motion was made by Brinks supported by Haagsma to allow the continued use of the non-paved equipment storage area for another year.

Roll Call Vote: Burgess - yes. Haagsma - yes. Gould - yes. Brinks - yes. Vander Woude - yes. Motion carried. Extension granted.

Miscellaneous

- ▶ Discussed was the Sterk house that was moved on Burlingame Ave.

The needed request from the Board of Appeals was never asked for. Now there are some electrical issues and they don't want to bring the house up code. It was decided to send a letter of clarification to Mr. Sterk and get the needed paper work completed to make this a legal move. Chairman VanderWoude asked Jeff Brinks to take care of the letter.

Adjournment

5:25 pm. A motion was made by Haagsma supported by Gould to adjourn the meeting. All voted aye.

Jeff Brinks
Secretary of Board of Appeals