

**Vergennes Township  
Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes  
June 5, 2008**

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A meeting of the Vergennes Township Zoning Board of Appeals was held on June 5, 2008 at the Township Offices. Chairman Gustafson called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm. Also present were members Baird and Schreur. Jernberg and Odell were absent. No messages from absents so alternate was not called. A quorum was present so the meeting continued.

**Approval of last meeting minutes:** Schreur motioned, Baird seconded, to approve the minutes of May 8, 2008 as presented. Gustafson motioned, Baird seconded, to approve the minutes of March 22, 2007 as presented. Vandersloot gave an update on the Potter lighting issue. Mr. Potter refused to put up a light shield as required by the Zoning Board of Appeals and Vandersloot had to issue a civil infraction ticket to him on the matter. The County Magistrate ordered that a lighting shield be put up within 2 weeks and Mr. Potter then complied with the order. Motion carried 3-0.

**Joshua Teunessen Variance Request 3535 Causeway**

Presentation by applicant was given. He has made a brief presentation at the last meeting. Vandersloot provided pictures of the house with the partially constructed porch. He has a current building permit where they have pulled off the old roof of the house and put in new trusses with a pitch to match the garage. The garage received a setback variance a few years ago. He wants to add a covered porch/deck on the front. It is partially completed and the building inspector said to stop work on that until the variance was applied for. They are currently putting on new siding to the house and garage. Most of the houses in that area are within the front setback.

No comments were received from the public. The members had a few questions for the applicant. Baird motioned, Schreur seconded, to approve the variance as presented (front porch of 11'7" wide and 5' 9.5 " deep at 3535 Causeway Dr, Lowell within the 35 foot front yard setback area adjacent to the garage. The porch is depicted on an elevation drawing and photos.) Carried 3-0. The decision form was filled out and signed by the members.

Schreur motioned, Baird seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 pm. Carried 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeanne Vandersloot, Recorder