



Vergennes Township
69 Lincoln Lake Ave NE Lowell, MI 49331
Meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals
December 6, 2021

Minutes

Gustafson called the meeting to order at 5:08 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call – Wester, Makuski, Gustafson and Odell all present, Schreur absent.

Approval of the Minutes from November 30, 2021 – Makuski motioned to accept the minutes as presented. Odell seconded the motion. All present voted yes, **motion carried.**

Schreur arrived at 5:13 p.m.

1. **Bob Hults 11133 Foreman** – Variance Request for pole barn in front yard. Bob presented his request – he wants to put a pole barn in front of his house. His parcel is landlocked and originally it was addressed off Bennett but switched to Foreman. Driveway is on an easement and has an address/driveway permit from KCRC. Applicant wants to use this location because it would not be visible to neighbors. He doesn't want this to be an eye sore to neighbors. Building is for toys and work space (not occupational space).

Board discussed the ordinance and the definitions.

Public Comment –

Carl Herron – 960 Parnell – He believes in following rules and moved his own barn to stay within the rules. However, in this situation he is in favor of the variance as it will greatly benefit the neighbors. He believes the location is the best possible one – it will be hidden.

Written public comment –

Kevin Donahue – 10455 Foreman – asked for information

Tyler Vanree – 10569 Foreman – asked for information and clarification

Sharon Miller Rittersdorf – 10607 Foreman – concerned over home business use and noise issues with UTV trail.

Odell motioned to approve the variance. Wester supported the motion. Board discussion ensued. It was stated that there are rules for a reason, but this does benefit the neighbors. Discussed if there should be restrictions on what can be stored in pole barn. Regarding the public comment there was questions as to where the trail was located that had been referred to.

Odell amended the motion to include for personal use. Wester confirmed his support.

Odell called the question, all voted in favor.

The motion on the floor is to grant the variance to Bob Hults to build the accessory building according to the site plan for personal, non-business contents only. All members voted yes, **motion carried**.

Wester motioned to adjourn meeting, Odell supported the motion. Meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Shantell Ford, Clerk

Approval Date

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