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Columbia Township Zoning Board of Appeals

February 2, 2017

Meeting called to order by Chairman Robert Willerer at 7 PM. Present at meeting Chairman Willerer, Barbara Beamish, Alternate Todd Wanty and Vice Chairman Brad Denning. Absent: Secretary Robin Tackett and Bruce Andrews.

Both parties attending tonight were offered a chance to re-schedule due to only 4 Board members being present, both parties agreed to move forward.

Beamish made motion to approve Agenda. Motion seconded by Denning. Ayes: All.

Approval of Minutes from November 29, 2016 meeting minute's motion by Denning. The motion was seconded by Wanty. Ayes: All.

John Zook , (Zook Construction Agent) 7270 Cement City Rd, Brooklyn, MI 49230 representing Robert and Sandy Ross of 10624 Hewitt Rd, Brooklyn for a variance to remove and replace and extend a deck a distance of 25' to the Backyard (waterside) lot line on property known as Lot 12 Holiday Shores, 10624 Hewitt Rd, ADP#000-19-22-428-012-00. Mr. Zook requested a variance citing 10.3 A 1, 2 & 3 as reasons for requesting the variance.

No public comment was made, one letter of correspondence Gerald Laberde of 10622 Hewitt Rd was read by Chairman Willerer in favor of granting the variance. Jeff Simpson, Columbia Township Zoning Enforcement Officer stated that he had spoken with the neighbor on the west side of the property and he would have no issue with the variance.

Board closed to public comment: Discussion ensued, questioned the blocking of the view to the west, and agreed that no issue existed.

Motion by Wanty to approve the variance citing 10.3 A 1, 2, and 3, seconded by Denning. Ayes: All, Variance, approved.

Mike McKay Builders agent representing John and Peggy Collins at this evenings meeting, for a variance to remove and rebuild a vacant structure of 1 ½ story on the existing foundation, a distance of 5' to the North lot line, a distance of 10'4" to the front(roadside) lot line and a distance of 30' to the Backyard(waterside) lot line on property known as 3507 Ocean Beach, ADP# 000-19-15-326-022-03, across from the Beach Bar. Mr. McKay discussed the plan with the Board and several questions were asked and answered. Plan sketches were reviewed.

Public comment. Jeff Vysoky 1992 Warren Ave, Jackson, MI representing Jackson County Parks and Recreation made a public comment in favor of the variance in an effort to improve the visual appearance of the neighboring park property. He also did comment on Dock encroachment in to the County Property, he was referred to the DEQ. Correspondence presented and read by Chairman Willerer. Two letters were read to the ZBA. #1. James Vettters 3557 Ocean Beach Rd, in full support of the variance. # 2 Rick Belcher 1008 Eagle Point Rd also in favor of granting the variance.

Meeting closed to public comment at this time. Board discussion.

Motion by Wanty to grant variance request as presented. Citing 10.3 A 1,3 & 4. The motion was seconded by Denning. Ayes: All. Motion carried. Variance granted.

Motion to adjourn by Denning at 7:46 PM. The motion was seconded by Wanty. Ayes: All. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Todd Wanty

Columbia Township Zoning Board of Appeals-Alternate.