
Town of Lansing

Tuesday, March 17, 2009 7:00 PM, Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEMBERS

(*Denotes present)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Gregg Travis, Chairman * Linda Hirvonen Ronald Bricker, Alternate Member Jeffrey Overstrom, Engineer & Planning Coordinator * Bud Shattuck, Town Board Liaison Lorraine Moynihan Schmitt, ZBA Attorney | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * David Dittman * Dan Konowalow * Henry (Hurf) Sheldon |
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PUBLIC PRESENT

Clay Burruss

GENERAL BUSINESS

Gregg Travis called the meeting to order at 7:08 PM.

Public Hearing for: Area Variance, Applicant: Clay Burruss, 278 Bill George Road, Tax Parcel No. 24.-2-17

Chairman Travis acknowledged the Legal Notice published in The Ithaca Journal.

Daniel Konowalow made a motion to open the Public Hearing at 7:07 PM. David Dittman Seconded.

VOTE AS FOLLOWS:

- David Dittman - Aye
- Linda Hirvonen - Aye
- Daniel Konowalow - Aye
- Henry (Hurf) Sheldon - Aye
- Gregg Travis - Aye

MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Clay Burruss is requesting an Area Variance to permit a Shed to remain in a location on his property that is in the road right of way. Mr. Burruss previously appeared before the Zoning Board of Appeals for an Area Variance to erect an addition to his home. At that Meeting, a discussion with respect to where the Shed(s) was going to be placed was discussed and Mr. Burruss stated he was going to get rid of them.

Applicant/Member Questions/Concerns:

Clay Burruss: Stated he originally stored his boat where the Shed is located, but decided to store the boat off site and leave the Shed where it is.

Gregg Travis: Inquired if Mr. Burruss owned the property across the road.

Clay Burruss: No, the Town owns the property.

Clay Burruss: Asked his neighbor if she would like to look at a finished Shed that resembles his home, or a couple of boats with blue tarps or a storage trailer. Ms. Bennett indicated a finished shed.

Henry (Hurf) Sheldon: States his recollection from the Addition Variance Meeting was that the shed or any other structure was not going to be there. It was more less a trade off.

Linda Hirvonen: Indicated that the boat/trailer is movable, whereas the shed is more of a permanent structure.

Daniel Konowalow: States the Zoning Ordinance was not instilled for aesthetics purposes, but rather for the highway requirements with regards to the right of ways.

Daniel Konowalow: Indicated it would be possible to build it into the side of the hill backed up to the Garage. A cinder block foundation could be built.

Gregg Travis: Requested to clarify for the record the setbacks and determine what the issue really is. Mr. Burruss’s property is a lake shore property with the set backs for the rear being 30 feet from the right of way line. The shed is clearly in the right of way.

Linda Hirvonen made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Daniel Konowalow seconded.

VOTE AS FOLLOWS:

- David Dittman - Aye
- Linda Hirvonen - Aye
- Daniel Konowalow - Aye
- Henry (Hurf) Sheldon - Aye
- Gregg Travis - Aye

MOTION CARRIED.

Daniel Konowalow made a motion requesting that the petition for an Area Variance be denied. Henry (Hurf) Sheldon seconded.

VOTE AS FOLLOWS:

- David Dittman - Aye
- Linda Hirvonen - Aye
- Daniel Konowalow - Aye

Henry (Hurf) Sheldon - Aye

Gregg Travis - Aye

MOTION CARRIED.

Approval/Denial of November 12, 2008 Minutes

Daniel Konowalow made a motion to approve the Minutes of November 12, 2008 as submitted. Henry (Hurf) Sheldon seconded.

VOTE AS FOLLOWS:

David Dittman - Aye

Linda Hirvonen - Aye

Daniel Konowalow - Aye

Henry (Hurf) Sheldon - Abstained

Gregg Travis - Aye

MOTION CARRIED.

Daniel Konowalow made a motion requesting the Meeting be adjourned at 7:24 PM. Henry (Hurf) Sheldon seconded.

VOTE AS FOLLOWS:

David Dittman - Aye

Linda Hirvonen - Aye

Daniel Konowalow - Aye

Henry (Hurf) Sheldon - Aye

Gregg Travis - Aye

MOTION CARRIED.