

TOWN OF BERGEN PLANNING BOARD MEETING
Thursday, August 27, 2009
Bergen Town Hall

Present: Gary Fink Mark Gerhardy Norm Pawlak John Wise
Dominick Camelio Kathi McLaughlin Scott Householder, Alt.

Absent: Bill Robinson

Also Present: Mark and Tanya Sandow, Belinda Grant, Bob Patterson

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gary Fink at 7:30 p.m. A motion was made by Dominick Camelio to approve July 30, 2009 minutes. Motion was seconded by John Wise, voted and approved. Norm Pawlak abstained from voting on the minutes as he did not attend the July meeting. In the absence of regular member, Bill Robinson, votes of alternate member Scott Householder will be counted.

Mark and Tanya Sandow Subdivision: Mark and Tanya Sandow returned with survey map and mylar for subdivision of their property, tax map no. 11-1-28.1, located at Evans and West Sweden Roads. It was noted that the flood line has been indicated on map, it was also pointed out that the house will be located on a hill. Driveway for the house will be in the place labeled "farm lane" on the map. Mr. Sandow stated that the land is not in an Ag district, as they do not meet the qualifications. As there was no further discussion, John Wise made a motion to classify as a minor subdivision, Kathi McLaughlin seconded, voted and approved. Public hearing for this subdivision will be scheduled for September 24.

Belinda Grant Variance: Ms. Grant appeared before the planning board to request a variance for a front yard setback. She would like to have a small pre build storage shed placed on her property at 6499 N. Lake Road. The front yard setback would be 18.5 feet instead of the required 50 feet. A diagram with shed placement was provided. Ms. Grant states that the shed would occupy the highest area around the driveway, as surrounding land is wet during the spring and winter seasons. This location would allow the shed to be accessed easily from the driveway and be close to the house. Members discussed placement options noting that moving the shed to the east would not be feasible because there are trees in that area. There was concern that the shed was close to the road; however, the shed would not cause any problem with visibility and would not be any closer to the road than the house is. Dominick Camelio made a motion to recommend that the zoning board grant this variance. Mark Gerhardy seconded the motion. Norm Pawlak and Scott Householder opposed the motion. Voted and carried. Public hearing for this variance will be scheduled for the Zoning Board of Appeals on September 17.

Old Business New Business

Draft of Laws/Codes

Bob Patterson informed the board that a public meeting will be held to discuss suggested zoning changes that have previously been submitted to the Town Board and are in the process of being reviewed by the Genesee County Planning Board. Bob also reminded members that they still have time to review the drafts of laws and codes before the Town acts on them. He will get some information together for the secretary to distribute to members.

There was no further discussion. Motion to adjourn was made by Mark Gerhardy and seconded by Dominick Camelio. Voted and carried, adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Holtz

Colleen Holtz, Secretary