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ZBA MINUTES August 19, 2019

The Leoni Township Zoning Board of Appeals held a meeting Monday, August 19, 2019, @ 6:00p.m. 913 Fifth Street, Leoni Township Meeting Hall, Michigan Center, Michigan.

The Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Robert Eadie, Vern Beckwith, Jennie Bach, Keith VanPoperin and Steve Sawicki.

Members absent:

Persons in attendance: 7

Purpose of ZBA read by Robert Eadie.

Motion by Vern Beckwith, supported by Keith VanPoperin to approve of the agenda as presented.

Motion carried by voice vote.

Discussion: Robert Eadie explained that the last meeting was in July and there was a meeting immediately following to approve the minutes for the Lyrical LLC variance which is why there were no meeting minutes to approve at this meeting.

Public Hearing: Open at 6:09 p.m.

Linda Bowman 000-09-27-151-005-00 00 Ottney Dr., Jackson, MI 49201 VARIANCE

Board Discussion: Eadie discussed how the setback is actually on the rear yard and not the front yard because it sits on the lake. Eadie brought up that the deck will have to be counted as part of the total square footage.

Contractor discussed with the board that the real hardship on the land and the reason for the variance is that the property elevation changes and the lot drops off significantly from the road. The contour of the land is the hardship.

Contractor revealed that there is a plan for the house available and the deck size will be 10ft. x 40 ft. Eadie explained to contractor that if the variance is denied they have to wait for a year to submit the plan again or change the site plan.

Neighbors present in meeting all spoke on how they are in agreement with Miss Bowman's variance plan. All Zoning Board members voice voted that they were in agreement that Ms. Bowman had met the five steps required to approve a variance.

Public Hearing: Closed at 6:30 p.m.

Motion by Vern Beckwith, supported by Steve Sawicki, to vote on granting the variance as written. Roll call vote: 5 Ayes – Beckwith, Eadie, VanPoperin, Sawicki and Bach

0 Nays

Motion Carried

Motion by Robert Eadie, supported by Vern Beckwith, to adjourn at 6:35 p.m.

Motion carried by voice vote.

Next meeting will be held on 9/16/2019.