

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
WATERSMEET TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN
JANUARY 28, 2019
COMMUNITY CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM
Approved April 29, 2019

Meeting called to Order at 6:00 pm

The Pledge was recited

Roll Call: Present were Fred Duerkop, Joe Lomastro, Julie Mathiesen, John Cestkowski, Cheryl Pitlarz,
Bill Neumann

Also in attendance: Dan Kline

Previous meeting minutes were reviewed and approved as presented, moved so by Cheryl, supported by Joe, and unanimously agreed upon.

Agenda Presented: moved by Fred, supported by Joe to accept; agenda approved.

Agenda item 6, public comment; none

Agenda item 7 Old Business

A draft "Application Form" was submitted by Cheryl for Board consideration, it being a composite of items from several examples, Ensuing discussion effected the word "sketches" changed to "Plot of Survey", "CCN" becomes "parcel number" and at "zone", add the word "district". Add an "Appeal of Administrative Decision", with direction to the appropriate zoning ordinance.

Continuing discussion referred to what was thought to be Planning Commission responsibilities versus the Zoning Board's

A word change was requested to replace" facilitate" to "allow".

A question was raised as to including a definition page, a requirements page and a short list of ZBA procedures. Also noted was the need to delete the requirement of "all criteria are met", and to eliminate items #6 and #7, re the dimensional variance required in the Kalamazoo example. From the Canton example, use the first bullet item to substitute for item#3 in the Kalamazoo example.

Cheryl will revise the draft copy to reflect requested changes, and check for potential variance types for possible inclusion.

Agenda item 7b ZBA/Planning Commission training possibilities are still being explored by Julie: Tim Dean, Township attorney, may do a training session

Agenda item #8 No new business

Agenda item #9 John moved to adjourn, Cheryl supported

Adjourn at 7:11 pm

