



Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Town of Acushnet
Zoning Board of Appeals

MEETING MINUTES – March 7th, 2023

Present were:

Mr. Robert Brown
Mr. Randall DeTerra
Mr. Richard Lally
Mr. Thomas Whitehead
Mr. Charles Leonard

Absent:

Mr. Paul Hipolito

- I. **Mr. Leonard makes a motion to open the meeting, seconded by Mr. Lally. All members are in favor. The meeting called to order by member Robert Brown.**
- II. **Minutes to be approved: January 31, 2023**
Mr. Lally makes a motion to approve the minutes of January 31, 2023 as presented. Mr. DeTerra seconds the motion. All members of the Board are in favor, the motion passes unanimously.
- III. **Meeting Mail:**
- IV. **Appointments:**
- V. **Old Business:**
- VI. **Business:**

1. **Case #2023.03.07A-** A case of Johnathan Thomson, of 91 Miller Street Middleboro, who is petitioning the Board for a 12-foot Variance for an addition located at 144 Hathaway Road. This request is being made under the provisions of Section 3.3.1 "E" (3) c.

Mr. Brown asks a representative to come forward. Mr. Johnathan Thomson explains that he wants to build a garage for a customer. Mr. Brown asks if the property is located on a corner lot. Mr. DeTerra asks if a new septic is being installed. Mr. Thomson says it is a corner lot and no new septic is being installed.

Mr. Brown asks if any abutters are present. There are none.

Mr. Lally makes a motion to grant the Variance for the plans as presented. Mr. Leonard seconds the motion. All members of the Board are in favor, and the motion passes unanimously.

2. **Case #2023.03.07B-** A case of Taylor Martin, of Westport, who is petitioning the Board for Variances to demolish and reconstruct a single-family dwelling at 15 Katherine Street. This request is being made under the provisions of Section 3.3.1 "E" Development Standards.

Mr. Brown asks a representative to come forward. Mr. David Davignon explains he is representing Taylor Martin. He explains they downsized the original proposed plans. They are now petitioning the Board to construct a 864 square foot single level ranch with no garage, which is a significant change from the original proposal.

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Mr. Brown asks if there are any abutters present. There are none.

Mr. Leonard makes a motion to allow the rehearing of the case because of the significant changes made to the proposed plans. Mr. DeTerra seconds the motion. All members of the Board are in favor, and the motion passes unanimously.

Mr. Leonard makes a motion to grant the variances for the plans as presented. Mr. Lally seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously.

3. ***Executive Session - Case #2022.09.20B*** – Mr. Lally makes a motion to go into executive session. Mr. Whitehead seconds the motion. All members of the Board are in favor, and the motion passes.

Mr. Leonard makes a motion to allow Town Council to address the Opening Meeting Law complaint on behalf of the Board. Mr. Leonard seconds the motion. All members of the Board are in favor, and the motion passes.

Mr. Leonard makes a motion to reconvene in normal session. Mr. Lally seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously.

VII. New Business:

VIII. Schedule Next Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting: April 18, 2023

Mr. Lally lastly makes a motion to adjourn. This motion is seconded by Mr. DeTerra. All members of the Board are in favor. The meeting is adjourned.

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Respectfully submitted:
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Minutes Approved:

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