

Sheffield Lake Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes
Held May 20, 2021

The regular meeting of the Sheffield Lake Zoning Board of Appeals was called to order on Thursday, May 20, 2021 at 7:00 pm in Council Chambers with Chairwoman Jancura presiding.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Jancura, Harper, Siebenhar, Tatter, Building Inspector Melbar, Council Representative Erdei.

Absent: Law Director Graves, Mayor Bring.

Attending: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: April 22, 2021. *Motion by Harper/Second by Tatter to approve the minutes with noted corrections. Yeas All.

Correspondence: None

Council Representative Erdei report: Representative Erdei has no report.

Planning Commission Member Siebenhar report: Member Siebenhar has no report.

OATH ADMINISTERED

Law Director Graves was absent, no oath, no applicant present.

CASE#21SFL-VAR003

Karen Vandemark, 689 Oakwood Ave., variance request for rear lot setback.

*Motion by Tatter/Second by Harper to untable the request.

Chairwoman Jancura states I have read last month's minutes, and I understand what she was asking for. Basically, she created her own practical difficulty and that does not meet the standard of granting a variance.

*Motion by Tatter/Second by Harper to DENY the variance.

ROLL CALL TO DENY: Siebenhar, Tatter, Harper, Jancura. Yeas All.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Chairwoman Jancura says we do have a vacancy on the board with the resignation of Mr. Reilly. If anyone has any good leads on someone who would be appropriate for the board, let me know. Someone who has the skill set. Member Tatter says often at the end of a vote, the person requesting the variance says well what can I do? I have been guilty of trying to say something to them, etc. It happened at last month's meeting. I question if we as board members should make any recommendations or give any instructions to anybody presenting to us who is denied as far as well, what can I do? We should have an answer, something like discuss it with the building inspector, law director, your attorney or builder. Chairwoman Jancura replies you are absolutely right. We really should not give them input

because it could be construed as quasi-legal advice. We should refer them to Mr. Melbar or independent legal counsel.

CITIZENS COMMENTARY: None.

MEETING ADJOURNED: With no further business before this board, *Motion by Harper/Second by Tatter to adjourn at 7:05 PM. Yeas All.

CLERK OF COMMITTEE AFFIRMATION: This Meeting Of The City Committee Of The City of Sheffield Lake, Ohio Was Held and Conducted Under All Rules and Regulations Governing The Sunshine Laws Of The State Of Ohio As They May Apply. All meetings are recorded and available in council’s office.

CLERK OF COUNCIL

Brandy Randolph

I, Brandy Randolph, duly appointed Clerk of the Zoning Board of Sheffield Lake DO HEREBY CERTIFY that this is a true and exact copy of the Minutes of the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting of May 20, 2021.

CHAIRPERSON

Diana Jancura

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Rick Rosso