



**ADA TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MINUTES
TUESDAY JANUARY 6TH, 2009, 4:30 P.M.
ADA TOWNSHIP OFFICES
7330 THORNAPPLE RIVER DR. SE, ADA, MICHIGAN**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Hartley, Boman, Lowry, and Fields

STAFF PRESENT: Kushion and Thompson

COMMUNITY PRESENT: 1

ABSENT: None

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER-4:30 PM

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA-Chairman Boman made an addition to agenda for ZBA meeting dates 2009 thru 2010. Moved by Member Hartley, supported Member Fields. Yes: 4 No: 0 Absent: 0 Motion Carried

III. APPROVAL OF THE, DECEMBER 2, 2008, ZBA MEETING MINUTES- Moved by Member Hartley, supported by Member Fields. Yes: 4 No: 0 Absent: 0 Motion Carried

IV. OLD BUSINESS-None

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. Request for Variance from front yard setbacks in the VR zoning district to allow an addition to be 8 feet, 8 inches from the front property line instead of the required 15 feet, Bernard Veldkamp, 7125 Bronson St., 41-15-33-228-002.

Bernard Veldkamp, 5580 Hall St. representing Conservation Properties. Mr. Veldkamp gave an overview of Conservation Properties and its mission statement. Mr. Veldkamp stated this was the third project they have done in Ada pointing out each one and their locations. Major reconstruction had been taken on all three buildings which are 19th century buildings and were outdated, stripped down to the foundation, replacing all external structural supports. The current property has been rewired, replumbed and replaced all existing windows, doors, heating and water system. Mr. Veldkamp stated Conservation Properties has kept the current residence with the aesthetics of the other homes in the area. A front porch has been built and other improvements were made.

Member Fields thanked the applicant for the thorough presentation.

Chairman Boman stated there were two correspondences from the neighbors stating they were in favor of the request.

Chairman Boman stated it was a very thorough presentation and there was practical difficulty.

Member Lowry stated he was very impressed by the home and it blends in with the rest of the homes.

Moved by Member Fields to approve, supported by Member Hartley. Yes. 4, No: 0 Motion Carried.

2. Meeting Dates for the Zoning Board of Appeals 2009/2010

Chairman Boman stated April 7th is spring break and will be out of town, suggested to move the April 7th meeting date to April 14th.

Moved by Member Fields to approve Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting dates 2009/2010 as amended, supported by Member Lowry. Yes: 4 No: 0 Absent: 0 Motion carried.

VI. CORRESPONDENCE-None

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT-None

VIII. ADJOURNMENT- Moved by Member Hartley, supported by Member Lowry to adjourn at 4:50 pm
Yes: 4 No: 0 Absent: 0 Motion Carried.

Susan Burton
Ada Township Clerk

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