



**ADA TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
MINUTES
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 5th, 2006, 4:30 P.M.
ADA TOWNSHIP OFFICES
7330 THORNAPPLE RIVER DR. SE, ADA, MICHIGAN**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Hartley, Korth, Boman, and Pratt

STAFF PRESENT: Kushion and Thompson

COMMUNITY PRESENT: 1

ABSENT: Co-Chair Fields

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER: 4:30 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA-Moved by Member Pratt, supported by Member Korth.

Yes: 4 No: 0 ABSENT: 1 Motion Carried

III. APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 1st ZBA MEETING MINUTES-Moved by Member Hartley,

Supported by Member Pratt Yes: 4 No: 0 Motion Carried

IV. OLD BUSINESS-NONE

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. Request for Variance from Sign Standards in the AG Zoning District to allow a 24 sq. ft. sign for a boat and RV storage business, 8495 Two Mile Rd., Matt Inman, 41-15-11-300-013.

The applicant is present for the variance request. Mr. Inman stated he is requesting a sign for his storage business.

Chairman Boman stated one restriction for the applicant's business, from his previous request at the Planning Commission, was signage.

Member Korth stated he did not recall any discussion spent on signage at the July Planning Commission Meeting.

Chairman Boman stated it was a Zoning issue and the Planning Commission had thought through the previous request with particular approval.

Open to public comment.

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Open to board discussion.

Chairman Boman stated there was correspondence from Ken & Gail Saukas, 8364 2 Mile Road who are in favor of the signage.

Zoning Administrator Kushion stated he spoke to Al Tolle, 8125 2 Mile Rd. on the phone who is in favor of variance request.

Chairman Boman stated given to additional information brought to the Zoning Board of Appeals there were changes to his concerns and felt the signage was good for the township, then asked if it was necessary for any conditions to be placed by other board members on the request.

Member Hartley stated he was in favor of the request.

Member Korth stated “the sign was in the extreme as a natural request as opposed to a steel shafted sign and felt it would enhance the area.”

Zoning Administrator Kushion stated he was comfortable with where the sign would be off the road.

Moved by Member Hartley to approve the variance with the following conditions:

1. The sign shall not be illuminated by any source.
2. The log with “Chase Lake” shall not be higher than 5 feet above grade.
3. The sign setback from Two Mile Road Right-of-way shall be at least 5 feet.
4. The sign shall not interfere with the required landscaping mandated by the Ada Township Planning Commission, March 26, 2006 conditions of approval.

Supported by Member Korth. Yes: 4 No: 0 Absent: 1 Motion Carried.

VI. CORRESPONDENCE-None

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT-None

VIII. ADJOURNMENT-4:45 p.m. Moved by Member Pratt, supported by Member Hartley. Yes: 4 No: 0 Absent: 1

Deborah Ensing Millhuff, CMC
Ada Township Clerk

Date

RS/DT

**All Correspondence regarding variance requests are on file in the Planning and Zoning Department*