

**BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**January 8, 2019**

Kris Schwickrath: Good evening, everyone. The January 8, 2019 meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals is now called to order. We'll start with a roll call.

Adam Rude: Wade Lewis - here, Doug Cassidy - here, Kris Schwickrath - here, Chris Clark - here, Jim Lisher - here.

Schwickrath: Okay and this is not on our agenda but Mr. Lisher kindly reminded us that we do need to nominate officers, so we'll start with that.

Doug Cassidy: I'd like to nominate Kris Schwickrath as our president.

Jim Lisher: And I don't forget the vice.

Cassidy: You mean Kris for.....are we doing 'em separate?

Lisher: Oh okay.

Cassidy: And I nominate Chris Clark as our vice chairperson.

Lisher: I would second.

Schwickrath: All in favor?

In Unison: Aye.

Lisher: And secretary is designated as the staff, Adam Rude, would be my motion.

Cassidy: Second.

Schwickrath: Thank you. I guess we're not used to doing this. Thanks. Alright prior to this month's meeting, we have actually 2 sets of minutes to approve and I think we can do them both at the same time. The September meeting, I'll just make a note of this, there was a technical problem and those notes have been put together and part of the minutes are actually transcribed. And then the second set, since we didn't have a meeting in October is for the month of November in 2018. So I'll entertain a motion to approve both sets of minutes as stated.

Lisher: So moved.

Wade Lewis: Second.

Schwickrath: Second that? Okay Mr. Lewis, thank you. And all in favor, signify by saying, "Aye".

In Unison: Aye.

Schwickrath: Opposed, same sign.

No reply.

Schwickrath: Thank you. The minutes are approved. No Old Business this evening so we're ready to move on to New Business.

Rude: So the first and only item on the agenda tonight for New Business is BZA 2018-22, Aaron Callis a development standards variance. The petitioner's name on this is Aaron Callis. Same for the owner's name and the address of the property is 1447 W. McKay Road Shelbyville, IN. The zoning classification is R1, single family. The future land use is single family, medium density and this is a request for the approval of a development standards variance from the height standards. Height standards state that the maximum height of an accessory structure is 15'. The petitioner is requesting 19' 6" for a garage that would store their boat.

Schwickrath: Okay, thank you. If the petitioner would please come forward, state your name for the record and then tell us about your project.

Aaron Callis: My name's Aaron Callis and I'd like to build a taller garage basically for my boat and the truck. The 15 foot's just not tall enough to get in there so that's the biggest thing.

Schwickrath: Okay.

Callis: And then it's gonna be a nice looking garage. I mean it's gonna be wood siding and stone veneer on the front and then the house is gonna be match the garage eventually, so....

Schwickrath: Okay.

Callis: I gotta get the garage built first.

Schwickrath: So what we'll do no is we'll take questions from each board member.

Callis: Okay.

Schwickrath: And we'll start with Mr. Lewis.

Lewis: I have no questions.

Schwickrath: Okay thank you. Mr. Clark?

Chris Clark: I have no questions.

Schwickrath: Mr. Cassidy?

Cassidy: No questions.

Schwickrath: You submitted a very fine report.

Callis: Well thank you. My first time doing this so I didn't know what to....

Schwickrath: For a petition? Yeah. Mr. Lisher?

Lisher: Inaudible comment.

Schwickrath: No and I'll be after him, so....

Lisher: What about the shed? You currently have a shed on the property.

Callis: Uh huh, there should be about 10' in between the garage and the shed.

Lisher: So the shed'll remain?

Callis: Yeah, yep.

Lisher: And currently I believe there's some fencing.

Callis: Well on the one side of the driveway.

Lisher: Yeah.

Schwickrath: That split rail.

Callis: Yeah, yep.

Lisher: Is that gonna remain or are you gonna change that or what are you gonna do with that?

Callis: Yeah well eventually I wanna put a privacy fence up.

Lisher: Pardon?

Callis: Eventually I wanna put a privacy fence right there 'cause the apartments are right there and sometimes I don't want 'em to see what is going on over there.

Lisher: Yeah that's kind of the reason why I asked.

Callis: Yeah.

Lisher: But then there is a little bit of privacy now.

Callis: Yes, yep.

Lisher: And if you....(inaudible)...keep that?

Callis: Oh yeah.

Lisher: Maybe higher?

Callis: Yeah now ....

Lisher: At your election.

Callis: Huh?

Lisher: At your election, you may increase it up to (?).

Callis: Yeah. And I'm gonna have the property surveyed so I know where my line is.

Lisher: Sure.

Callis: 'Cause I wanna have a chain link fence put up around my property so that way I know where the boundaries are also. But I wanna get the garage built and then the chain link fence (?) the gargae.

Lisher: Alright. That's all the questions I have.

Schwickrath: And then the, just a few questions that I had. So at the and I did not want to park in your driveway and walk up although I did think about it.

Callis: Oh okay.

Schwickrath: But I drove by a couple of times....

Callis: Okay.

Schwickrath: .....so if you saw me out there....

Callis: I didn't.

Schwickrath: ....I wasn't stalking you, okay?

Callis: Okay.

(?): Creeper.

Schwickrath: But I did want to, thank you, I did want to make sure though that I saw everything and just run this past you. So at the end of the driveway, not on the McKay side, but of course by the house.

Callis: Yep.

Schwickrath: That's where you're gonna situate it. You had some trees.

Callis: They're coming out.

Schwickrath: Are those....yeah I think are those Bradford pears?

Callis: Yes.

Schwickrath: They need to come out, okay. Good job on that one.

Callis: Yep. I didn't plant 'em and I hate 'em, so....

Schwickrath: They're not the best tree anyway, so....

Callis: No.

Schwickrath: Okay.

Callis: And there's a deck and a swimming pool in the back yard and all that's comin' out too.

Schwickrath: Okay so you're really changing the look of it all.

Callis: Yeah I'm tired of the pool.

Schwickrath: Okay.

Callis: That's the reason why we got a boat.

Schwickrath: And the, I know you submitted these drawings and so 2 garage doors, is that right?

Callis: Yeah, yep and then the one side will be just where we can do a little you know shop stuff so....

Schwickrath: I see. Oh okay so hence the two doors.

Callis: Yeah.

Schwickrath: The attached garage has 2 doors too, right?

Callis: Yes.

Schwickrath: Alright.

Callis: So it'll be a four car garage house when it's all done.

Schwickrath: Right, okay. I see. Alright. That those are all the questions I have then. Thank you. Anything come to mind for the rest of you?

No reply.

Schwickrath: Then I close questions....

Clark: Just a comment.

Callis: Uh huh?

Schwickrath: Sorry.

Clark: All this improvement that you're planning on, please make sure you get with the planning department.

Callis: Oh, yeah. Yeah the permits and all that, yeah.

Clark: Uh huh. Thank you.

Schwickrath: Right and they'll guide you. Thank you, Mr. Clark. They'll guide you with any questions that you have and suggestions. It's a collaborative effort.

Callis: Oh yeah. Yeah.

Schwickrath: Right, so....

Callis: I was trying to work around the 15' and I just couldn't do it with the boat so that's the reason why.

Schwickrath: Yeah no that's fine. That's fine. So I'll close questions from the board. If anyone from the public wishes to come forward this is time for public commentary.

No reply.

Schwickrath: Okay, just checking. Okay then I'll close public commentary and if we're ready for a motion, we can move to that. It sounds like we are. Anyone?

Cassidy: I'd like to make a motion to approve the requested development standard variance from UDO 5.23 to increase the maximum accessory struct to (?) feet.

Schwickrath: Okay there's a motion.

Clark: I'll second.

Schwickrath: Okay so please cast your ballot but I wanna make sure that the number I'm seeing, 2018-22.

Rude: It filed (?). Sorry.

Schwickrath: That's okay. I just needed to hear that, thank you. So please cast your ballot for BZA 2018-22. Thank you.

Rude: Inaudible comment.

Schwickrath: It's alright. I was ready for the new year. Okay fair enough. Thank you.

Rude: This is for BZA 2018-22. Doug Cassidy - yes, Jim Lisher - yes, Chris Clark - yes, Wade Lewis - yes, Kris Schwickrath - yes.

Schwickrath: So the motion's approved. Thank you for doing this properly and best wishes with the project.

Callis: Alright, thank you.

Schwickrath: And as Mr. Clark already indicated, just use the department.

Callis: Oh yeah. Okay, not a problem.

Schwickrath: Thank you very much.

Callis: Is that it?

Schwickrath: Yeah that's it.

Callis: Alright, well thank you very much.

Schwickrath: So Adam, I think you had a few items for Discussion or one item?

Rude: Yes, so just the one item I was gonna discuss on the record tonight was the joint BZA/Plan Commission annual meeting and that's typically held at the Plan Commission's first meeting of the year. That'll be January 28th at 5:30 p.m. About a week prior to that, I'll get you guys the annual report...(inaudible)...gonna briefly summarize what's in the report and then just give .....(inaudible)....I think in total that this board heard 22 petitions totaling I think 38 or 40 variances and then the Plan Commission heard about....(inaudible)...

Schwickrath: A fairly busy year hasn't it been.

Rude: Yeah pretty busy year. I think the prior year was about 17 or 18 cases each so up a little bit. The number of variances for you guys was up significantly. A lot of those cases had, like POET had 5 or 6 variances .....(inaudible).....so I think we all learned a lot.....(inaudible)....so we'll take some time on the 28th to talk about any of those cases....(inaudible)....talk about the department .....(inaudible)....

Schwickrath: Will there be food? I know in the past we've had food so should we plan on that?

Rude: Yes I will order just probably get Subway sandwiches and drinks.

Schwickrath: Okay. Sure, so thank you. And let me know how I can help you with that. I'll see you this week anyway. And I should've said congratulations on your promotion.

Rude: Thank you.

Schwickrath: We're glad you're here and Bryant is off we don't know.....south.

Lisher: Have you heard back from him?

Rude: I have. He's called a few times and I've had....I thought I knew where everything was in the office and then I started to look for budget item that I'd never had to deal with, personnel item that I'd never had to deal with. I have called him a couple of times....(inaudible)...He's called a couple of times....(inaudible)....doing well and he's settled in....(inaudible)....

Lisher: That's good.

Schwickrath: That's good.

Rude: ....(inaudible)....so it wasn't something where one person could stop,....(inaudible)....

Schwickrath: Good.

Rude: He said he's loving it and ....(inaudible)....

Schwickrath: We probably should have a motion to adjourn.

Lewis: So moved.

Schwickath: Okay.

Meeting adjourned.