Harpers Ferry Board of Zoning Appeals

Minutes - BZA Hearing – 6/28/21 (via Zoom, and livestreamed on Facebook)

SEAT 1 (term ends January 1, 2024): David Simmons – PRESENT and leading meeting

SEAT 2 (term ends January 1, 2022): Chad Gauthier - Not Voting

SEAT 3 (term ends January 1, 2022): Lynn Pechuekonis – PRESENT and recording minutes

SEAT 4 (term ends January 1, 2023): Mike Buscher – PRESENT

SEAT 5 (term ends January 1, 2023): Chris Craig – ABSENT

ALTERNATE 1 (term ends March 1, 2024): VACANT

ALTERNATE 2 (term ends March 1, 2022): Rob Case – ABSENT

ALTERNATE 3 (term ends March 1, 2023): VACANT

Also in attendance: Morgan Morrison and David Van Deventer, applicants, owners of 980 W. Ridge Street in Harpers Ferry; Chad Gauthier, applicant representative

The meeting was called to order at 6 pm by David Simmons.

Item 1 –Mike made a motion to approve the Agenda, Lynn seconded, and the Agenda was approved unanimously

Item 2- Mike made a motion to approve the Minutes from of the May 21, 2021, BZA hearing. Lynn and Mike voted to approve the minutes. David abstained, as he was not present at that meeting.

Item 3- The Board and applicants discussed the variance application for construction of a dwelling within the 10-foot required setback area for a side street, as required by Town ordinance. The setback in question is located along Franklin Street.

At the end of the discussion, Mike moved to close the hearing, Lynn seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously. Lynn moved to hold private deliberations, David seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

Item 4- The BZA hearing was reconvened at 6:25 pm. Mike made a motion to approve the requested variance to locate the dwelling with a side setback of no less than five feet [Article 1304.02(a)(3)]. Lynn seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

Item 5- The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Submitted by Lynn Pechuekonis