

**Town of Porter
Board of Zoning Appeals
Meeting Minutes
January 19, 2011**

A. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call / Determination of Quorum

Present: Mr. Kremke, Mr. Bell, Mr. Stinson and Mr. Huyser

Absent: None

Also present were: Mr. Lyp, Mr. Keiser, Mrs. Mitchell, and Mr. Mandon

D. Consideration of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion to accept the November 17, 2010 minutes was made by Mr. Kremke; second by Mr. Bell. Motion passed 3 – 0 via voice approval. Mr. Stinson voted “present” as he was not present at the November meeting.

E. Audience Participation

None

F. Preliminary Hearing

None

G. New Business

Election of BZA president

Motion to nominate Jay Huyser made by Mr. Bell; second Mr. Stinson. Motion passed via voice approval 4 – 0.

Election of BZA Vice-President

Motion to nominate Greg Stinson made by Mr. Bell; second Mr. Kremke. Motion passed via voice approval 4 – 0.

Election of BZA Secretary

Motion to nominate Kara Mitchell made by Mr. Bell; second Mr. Kremke. Motion passed via voice approval 4- 0

H. Preliminary Hearing

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Application for variance made by Paul and Valerie Piotrowski to allow a custom cabinet showroom to be located in the Waverly Community Center Building which is in a residential zone for the property located at 955 Waverly Road in Porter (BZA 01-11).

Mr. Babcock addressed the Board as representative of his clients, the Piotrowskis. He explained that the building was built circa 1881 and has been through many owners.

Paul Piotrowski, P.O. Box 223 Beverly Shores, addressed the Board and explained what his vision is for the inside of the building. They hope to have a custom cabinetry showroom with a “homey” atmosphere.

Mr. Bell asked about the current entrance and a future sign. Mr. Piotrowski stated that he will only have small signage and the entrance will stay as it is.

Mr. Keiser asked about getting a current, new plat of survey.

It is going to be a showroom with limited hours. He only foresees having one or two employees

Motion to set the application for Public Hearing was made by Mr. Bell; second Mr. Kremke. Motion passed via voice approval 4 – 0.

I. Finding of Fact

None

I. Update from the Board of Zoning Appeals Attorney

None

J. Update from the Board of Zoning Appeals Secretary

None

K. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Bell; second by Mr. Kremke. Motion passed via voice approval.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

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Henry Huyser
Chairman

Kara Mitchell
Secretary