

Town of Porter
Board of Zoning Appeals
Meeting Minutes
June 18, 2008

A. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call / Determination of Quorum

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

Absent: Mr. Stinson

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

D. Consideration of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Mr. Snyder mentioned that he thought “private” in the third paragraph of the minutes should be changed to read, “the word private.” He feels the ballots were not private and that the minutes should not convey that they were. Motion to accept the April 16, 2008 meeting minutes as amended was made by Mr. Bell; second by Mr. Kremke. Motion passed via voice approval 4 – 0.

E. Audience Participation

Jennifer Klug would like someone to check the minutes of the March meeting to make sure that the minutes include the names of those who voted for and against the Cahnman petition. Mrs. Mitchell said she would make sure the signed minutes did include the names of those who voted for and against the petition.

Mr. Snyder asked Mr. Lyp to explain the letter given to all the BZA and Plan Commission members concerning visiting the website. Mr. Mandon also weighed in on the subject.

F. New Business

None

G. Old Business and Matters Tabled

None

H. Preliminary Hearing

Application for variance made by Olivia Tschewik for the property located at 140 Hjelm Road in Porter.

Olivia Tshedwik addressed the board. She stated that she has made a contract contingent on the variance requested. She needs 24 feet in the back of her property, but the Town requires 35 feet.

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Mr. Snyder said he thinks the two lots need to be made into one subdivision. Mr. Mandon then stated that he would like to review the request to make sure all variances needed are listed in the newspaper.

The house she is planning to put on the piece of property is 1,640 square feet and a ranch style. Mr. Mandon thinks that TAC will be very helpful for her situation.

Motion to set to public hearing was made by Mr. Bell; second by Mr. Huyser. Motion passed via voice approval.

I. Public Hearing

None

J. Finding of Fact

Finding of fact for the Andrew Brack petition (April 16, 2008) was presented and signed by Mrs. Mitchell.

K. Update from Board of Zoning Appeals Attorney

None

L. Requests from Board of Zoning Appeals Secretary

None

M. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Bell. The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Bruce Snyder
Chairman

Kara Mitchell
Secretary