

**Town of Porter**  
**Board of Zoning Appeals**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
August 21, 2002

**A. The meeting was called to order at 7:00p.m.**

**B. Pledge of Allegiance**

Present: Mr. Beckman, Mr. Niepokoj, Mr. Childress, and Mr. Bell. Absent: Mr. Chemma. Quorum was established. Also present were Mr. Mandon and Mr. Hearn.

**C. Consideration of minutes from previous meeting.**

Motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting as written was made by Mr. Childress, second by Mr. Bell. Motion carried 4-0.

**D. Audience Participation**

None

**E. Public Hearing**

**Request for variance-Ernie and Barbara Miller, 112 E. Pottawattomie Court:** Petitioner is requesting a building line setback variance for the construction of a detached garage. The property is located at 500 Riverview Lane. Petitioner presented request to the Board and submitted notice paperwork to attorney.

Public Hearing opened at 7:07 p.m. There were no proponents/opponents to the petitioner's request. The Public Hearing was closed at 7:08 p.m.

Mr. Mandon presented staff report indicating three requirements must be met to grant the petitioner's request per IC 36-7-4-918.5. Noting that a practical difficulty is evident, and that no opponents to the request had been heard, Mandon recommended approval of the request.

Motion by Mr. Bell to grant the Developmental Standards Variance for Barbara and Ernie Miller contingent upon receipt of proper notice; second by Mr. Childress. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Childress cautioned the petitioner's about constructing underneath NIPSCO power lines.

**F. New Business**

None

**G. Other Business**

**Finding of Fact, Chip Mang, request for a developmental standards variance, Deer Creek Subdivision, lot 1:** Mr. Childress noted corrections.

Motion to approve Finding of Fact as amended by Mr. Childress; second by Mr. Bell. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion to approve decision of Board of Zoning Appeals by Mr. Bell; second by Mr. Childress. Motion carried 4-0.

## **H. Adjourn**

Motion by Mr. Bell to adjourn; second by Mr. Childress. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

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John Beckman  
Chairman

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Lisa Liebert  
Secretary