

**Town of Porter
Board of Zoning Appeals
Meeting Minutes
April 17, 2013**

A. The meeting was called to order at 6:36 PM.

B. Pledge of allegiance

Roll Call/Determination of Quorum

Present: Mr. Sexton, Mr. Huyser, Mr. Kremke, Mr. Stronks, Mr. Timm

Absent: none

Also Present: Ms. Frost, Mr. Mandon, Ms. Campaniello

C. Motion to Accept Minutes From March 20, 2013

Sexton Made said Motion.

Huyser Seconded.

All in Favor, Motion carries.

D. Audience Participation

None

E. Old Business

None

F. Preliminary Hearing

Scribailo 1555 Coleman St.

Scribailo described how they would like to add a small addition to their home.

1. Increase energy efficiency of the home

2. Curb appeal of home, shoebox type homes need a larger entry way.

Sexton asked what the averages were for setbacks, Mandon clarified the R1, R2 is 30 Foot.

Mandon agrees with the petitioner in saying it will really enhance the front of the home. The

board said they would like to have exact sketches, to scale for the public hearing. Frost asked for the findings of fact, and they were not distributed with the packet to Scribailo.

Sexton made a motion to set this for public hearing with turning in the findings of fact by May 6th, 2013. Huyser seconded. All in favor. Motion Carried. Public hearing will take place on May 15.

G. Public Hearing for 1124 W. Beam St began at 6:55PM.

Frost expressed concern about the date Discrepancy. Date on the "sample" letter mailed states March 20, when the public meeting should state April 17, 2013. Traci Fisher (Hiatt) stated the letters mailed did indicate the correct date, but the sample was not changed. Mandon expressed they did the three forms of publication. Newspaper, sign in yard, and mailings. Frost doesn't agree with Mandon, she thinks they need a copy of what was mailed. Frost respectfully disagrees. Timm stated he has never heard of this before, and he had never asked a petitioner for a copy of the letter before. Stronks stated that a copy is just that and may not be correct as to what was actually mailed. Kremke stated that the proof of publication stated it correctly. Sexton stated this was not a requirement before. Kremke stated we need to move forward. Fishers re-explained what they want, a 40X64 pole barn on rear of property. The structure would be larger than the existing home and would have more than three structures on the property. Open to the Public at 7:10PM.

Paulene Poparad asked "Who are these People"? Referring to Mark Fisher and Traci Hiatt (Fisher now, recently married). Kremke responded that the Fishers were at the previous meeting where their application was approved for Public hearing when Poparad was absent from the meeting, thus her not knowing who they are or what exactly the application was for. No more comments. Closed to public at 7:12PM.

Sexton stated the ordinance covers three buildings, only two accessory structures. Mandon clarified that they want three accessory structures and that he recommends the shed merging with the pole barn. Huyser suggested a 30X60? Petitioner stated they wanted the store all they wanted and not have to go bigger at a later time, plus if they went smaller they wouldn't of had to come for a special meeting. Driveway would be loose gravel now and eventually be a concrete drive. Huyser stressed again that 30X60 would be a practical size for the variance.

Stronks made a motion (subject to the condition of the shed being attached to the 40X64 pole barn), to allow the Fishers to have the new structure.

Sexton seconded.

Roll Call: Timm-Yes

Stronks-Yes

Sexton-Yes

Huyser-No

Kremke-Yes

Vote 4-1 motion carries. Variance granted.

Sexton made a motion to approve amended findings of fact.

Timm Seconded. All in favor, Motion Carries.

Adjournment at 7:41PM.

Motion made by Mr. Sexton

Seconded by: Mr. Huyser

 date 5-20-13
President

 date 5/20/13
Secretary