#### GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS OCTOBER 18, 2016 6:30 P.M. AGENDA

Call	to	Or	der:

Pledge of Allegiance:

Introduction:

#### Approval of Agenda:

<u>Call to the Public:</u> (Please Note: The Board will not begin any new business after 10:00 p.m.)

- 1. 16-32 ... A request by Brian Lahaie, 2862 Stanwood Place, for rear and side yard variance in order to build an attached garage addition to an existing home.
- 2. 16-28 ... A request by Jon and Pamela Okopski, 100 Chilson Road, for a use variance to allow chickens and ducks in the Suburban Residential (SR) zoning district.
- 3. 16-35 ... A request by Joe Valenti, 3535 Beattie Road, for a size variance and a variance to allow a detached accessory structure in the front yard.

#### **Administrative Business:**

- 1. Approval of minutes for the September 20, 2016 Zoning Board of Appeals meeting.
- 2. Correspondence
- 3. Township Board Representative Report
- 4. Planning Commission Representative Report
- 5. Zoning Official Report
- 6. Member Discussion
- 7. Adjournment



#### GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP VARIANCE APPLICATION

2911 DORR ROAD | BRIGHTON, MICHIGAN 48116 (810) 227-5225 | FAX (810) 227-3420

Case # 16-32 Meeting Date: 9-20-16

PAID Variance Application Fee \$125.00 for Residential | \$300.00 for Commercial/Industrial

ARTICLE 23 of the Genoa Township Zoning Ordinance describes the Variance procedure and the duties of the Zoning Board of Appeals (see attached).

Αp	plica	int/Owner: BRIAN KARC LAHAIC
Pr	oper	ty Address: 2862 5792 wood place Phone: 248-467 - 6081
Pr	esen	t Zoning: SR Tax Code: 4711-13-401-012
Th of	e app their	plicant respectfully requests that an adjustment of the terms of the Zoning Ordinance be made in the case property because the following peculiar or unusual conditions are present which justify variance:
1.	Vai	iance requested: 28 x 32' AFTACHED GARAGE Addition to existing.
		one. designed to match existing home-
2.	Inte	ended property modifications: ATTAched Addition. TO Existing GARAGE
		Unusual topography/shape of land (explain): odd Shaped Lot doe's Not Allow
		FOR SET BACK'S house was BUILT FOR OU LOT TOWARDS BACK
	b.	Other (explain): proposed Addition Still Alows For Ensure
		ON BACK side and side of JAMAGE - Additions

The following is required. Failure to meet this requirement may result in postponement or denial of this petition.

Property must be staked showing all proposed improvements seven (7) days before the meeting and remain in place until after the meeting.

Date: <u>8-24-2016</u> Signature: <u>13/201</u> K / Mass

Application must be completely filled out before submittal to Township and all submittal requirements must accompany application.

Any Variance not acted upon within 12 months from the date of approval is invalid and must receive a renewal from the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA).

After the decision is made regarding your Variance approval a land use permit will be required.



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#### Applicant had no changes to request.

#### **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Genoa Township Zoning Board of Appeals

**FROM:** Amy Ruthig, Zoning Official

**DATE:** September 12, 2016

**RE:** ZBA 16- 32

#### STAFF REPORT

File Number: ZBA#16-32

Site Address: 2862 Stanwood Place

**Parcel Number:** 4711-13-401-012

Parcel Size: .488

**Applicant:** Brian Lahaie, 2862 Stanwood Place Brighton, MI 48114

**Property Owner:** Same as applicant

Information Submitted: Application, site plan, conceptual drawings

**Request:** Dimensional Variances

**Project Description**: Applicant is requesting a side and rear yard variance to

construct an addition to an existing home.

**Zoning and Existing Use:** SR (Suburban Residential) Single Family Dwelling located on property.

#### Other:

Public hearing was published in the Livingston County Press and Argus on Sunday September 4, 2016 and 300 foot mailings were sent to any real property within 300 feet of the property in accordance with the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act.

#### **Background**

The following is a brief summary of the background information we have on file:

- Per assessing records the existing home on the parcel was constructed in 1974.
- A land use permit was issued in 2010 for a swimming pool.
- See Real Estate Summary and Record Card.

#### **SUPERVISOR**

Gary T. McCririe

#### **CLERK**

Paulette A. Skolarus

#### **TREASURER**

Robin L. Hunt

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H. James Mortensen Jean W. Ledford Todd W. Smith Linda Rowell The proposed project is to construct an addition to an existing single family home. In order to construct the addition, the applicant would be required to obtain side and rear yard variances. The property is currently non-conforming in regards to impervious lot coverage however since the proposed structure is going on top of the concrete driveway, the applicant will not be increasing the non-conforming lot coverage therefore a variance is not necessary.

#### **Variance Requests**

The following is the section of the Zoning Ordinance that the variances are being requested from:

#### Table 3.04.01 (SR District):

SINGLE FAMILY	Front	One Side	Other	Rear	Water	Height
STRUCTURE			Side		front	
Setbacks of	40	20	20	50	-	35
Zoning						
Setbacks	112	14	-	42	-	-
Requested						
Variance Amount	-	6	-	8	-	-

<u>Summary of Findings of Fact-</u> After reviewing the application and materials provided, I offer the possible findings of fact for your consideration:

Please note that in order for a variance to be approved it has to meet all of the standards in 23.05.03.

- (a) Practical Difficulty/Substantial Justice Strict compliance with the side and rear yard setbacks would not prevent the applicant from constructing an addition to the existing single family home. The variance would not provide substantial justice.
- **(b) Extraordinary Circumstances** The exceptional or extraordinary condition of the property is the location of the existing home in the rear of the lot. The need for the variances is self-created.
- (c) Public Safety and Welfare The granting of these variances will not impair an adequate supply of light and air to adjacent property or unreasonably increase the congestion in public streets, or increase the danger of fire or endanger the public safety, comfort, morals or welfare of the inhabitants of the Township of Genoa.

(d) Impact on Surrounding Neighborhood – The proposed variances would have a slight impact on the appropriate development, continued use, or value of adjacent properties and the surrounding neighborhood.

#### **Recommended Conditions**

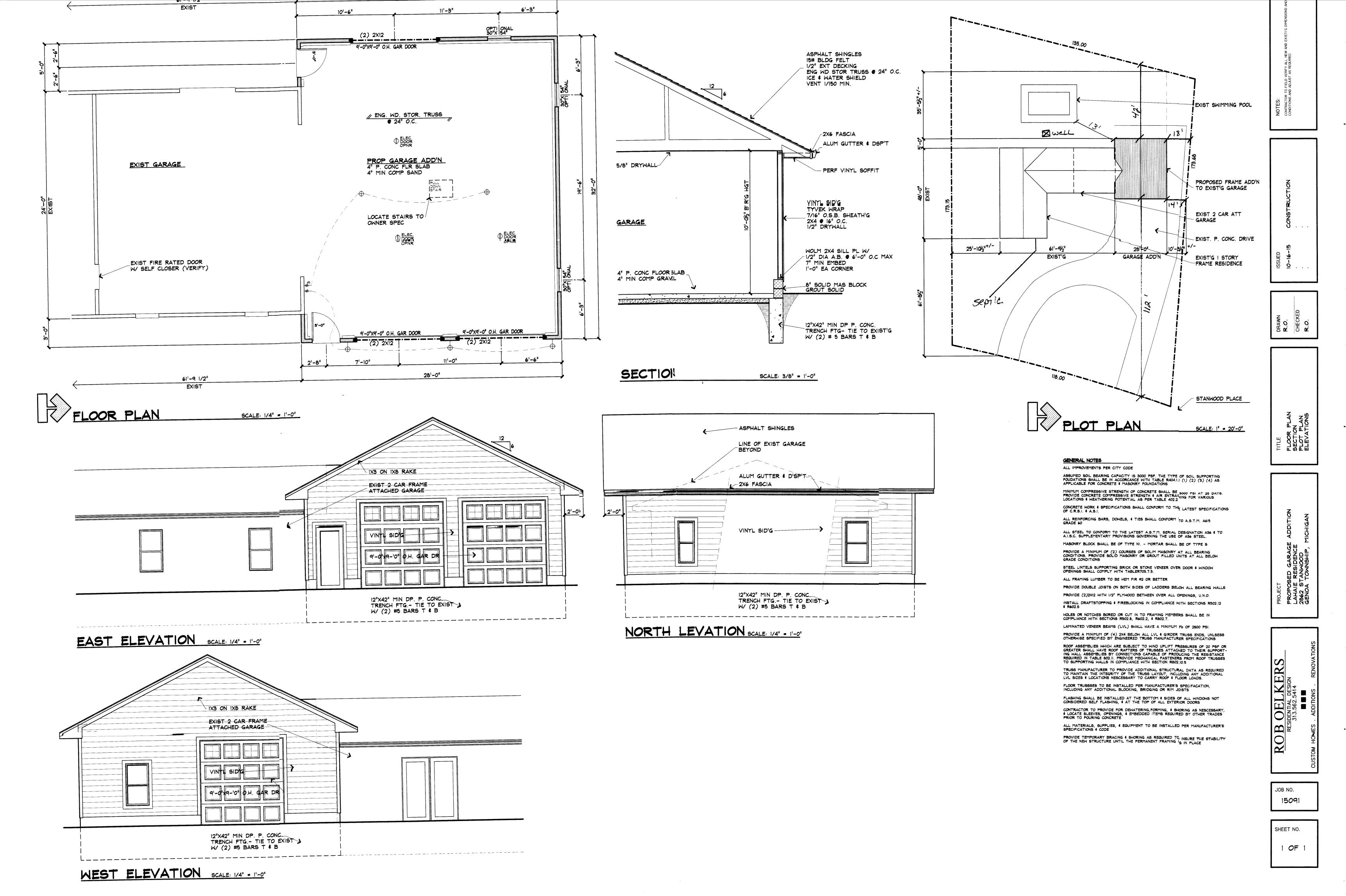
If the Zoning Board of Appeals grants the variance requests staff recommends the following conditions be placed on the approval.

- 1. Drainage from the home must be maintained on the lot.
- 2. Structure must be guttered with downspouts.
- 3. No other impervious surfaces will be allowed on the property.





Orthophotos Flown Spring 2015
Parcel lines are a representation only;
Not intended for survey purposes.



Parcel Number: 4711-13-	401-012	Jurisdiction	: GENOA CH	ARTER TOWNS	HIP	County: LIVINGSTO	N Pr.	inted on		09/12/2016
Grantor	Grantee		Sale Price		Inst. Type	Terms of Sale	Liber & Page	Ver By	ified	Prent Trans
SHELP, STEVEN & TANYA	LAHAIE BRIAN		214,000	12/30/2005	TA	ARMS-LENGTH	5015/0629	BUY	ER	100.
CIUPAK, JOHN & BESSIE	SHELP		162,000	08/24/1998	WD	ARMS-LENGTH	2427-0695	BUY	ER	100.
NORTON	CIUPAK		158,000	08/06/1997	WD	ARMS-LENGTH	2213-0980	BUY	ER	100.
HORTON, FREDERICK			0	11/30/1994	IV	QUIT CLAIM	1887-0559	BUY	ER	0.
Property Address		Class: 401 I	RESIDENTIAL-	-I Zoning:	SR Bui	lding Permit(s)	Date	Number	S	tatus
2862 STANWOOD PLACE		School: BRIG	SHTON		ABC	VE GROUND POOL	07/28/201	0 10-089	P.	O START
		P.R.E. 100%								
Owner's Name/Address		MAP #: V16-								
LAHAIE BRIAN				Est TCV Tent	tative					
2862 STANWOOD PLACE BRIGHTON MI 48114		X Improved	Vacant			ates for Land Tabl	le 00013.COLLINGWOO	D, SCOTTS	SWOOD	
Tax Description		Public Improveme Dirt Road Gravel Ro	i	'A' FRO	NTAGE	-				Value 83,025 83,025
SEC. 13 T2N, R5E, "BIRKY	WOOD HILLS" LOT 12	Paved Ro				Cost Estimates				
Comments/Influences		Storm Se		Descrip		COSC ESCIMACES	Rate CountyMul	t Size	%Good 0	Cash Value
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When

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Building Type	(3) Roof (cont.)	(11) Heating/Cooling	(15) Built-ins	(15) Fireplaces (16) Porches/Decks	(17) Garage
X Single Family Mobile Home Town Home Duplex A-Frame  X Wood Frame  Building Style: C  Yr Built Remodeled 1974  Condition for Age: Good	Eavestrough Insulation 0 Front Overhang 0 Other Overhang (4) Interior  Drywall Plaster Paneled Wood T&G  Trim & Decoration  EX X Ord Min Size of Closets  Lg X Ord Small Doors Solid X H.C.	X Gas Wood Coal Elec. Wood Coal Steam  Forced Air w/o Ducts  X Forced Air w/ Ducts Forced Hot Water Electric Baseboard Elec. Ceil. Radiant Radiant (in-floor) Electric Wall Heat Space Heater Wall/Floor Furnace Forced Heat & Cool Heat Pump No Heating/Cooling  Central Air	Appliance Allow. Cook Top Dishwasher Garbage Disposal Bath Heater Vent Fan Hot Tub Unvented Hood Vented Hood Intercom Jacuzzi Tub Jacuzzi repl.Tub Oven Microwave Standard Range Self Clean Range	Interior 2 Story 2nd/Same Stack Two Sided Exterior 1 Story Exterior 2 Story Prefab 1 Story Prefab 2 Story Heat Circulator Raised Hearth Wood Stove Direct-Vented Ga  Class: C Effec. Age: 35 Floor Area: 1527  R800 Treated Wood T	Year Built: Car Capacity: Class: C Exterior: Brick Brick Ven.: 0 Stone Ven.: 0 Common Wall: 1 Wall Foundation: 42 Inch Finished ?: Auto. Doors: 0 Mech. Doors: 0 Area: 552 % Good: 0 Storage Area: 0 No Conc. Floor: 0
Room List  Basement 1st Floor 2nd Floor	(5) Floors  Kitchen: Other: Other:	Wood Furnace (12) Electric 0 Amps Service	Sauna Trash Compactor Central Vacuum Security System	Total Base New: 192,554 E.C.F. Total Depr Cost: 127,237 X 0.930	Bsmnt Garage: Carport Area: Roof:
3 Bedrooms  (1) Exterior  X Wood/Shingle Aluminum/Vinyl Brick  Insulation  (2) Windows  Many X Avg. Few Xood Sash Metal Sash Vinyl Sash Double Hung Horiz. Slide Casement Double Glass Patio Doors Storms & Screens  (3) Roof  X Gable Hip Mansard Flat Shingle	(6) Ceilings  (7) Excavation  Basement: 1512 S.F. Crawl: 0 S.F. Slab: 0 S.F. Height to Joists: 0.0  (8) Basement  Conc. Block Poured Conc. Stone Treated Wood Concrete Floor  (9) Basement Finish  Recreation SF Living SF Walkout Doors No Floor SF  (10) Floor Support  Joists: Unsupported Len: Cntr.Sup:	No./Qual. of Fixtures  Ex. X Ord. Min  No. of Elec. Outlets  Many X Ave. Few  (13) Plumbing  Average Fixture(s) 2 3 Fixture Bath 2 Fixture Bath Softener, Auto Softener, Manual Solar Water Heat No Plumbing Extra Toilet Extra Sink Separate Shower Ceramic Tile Floor Ceramic Tile Wains Ceramic Tub Alcove Vent Fan  (14) Water/Sewer  Public Water Public Water Public Sewer 1 Water Well 1 1000 Gal Septic 2000 Gal Septic Lump Sum Items:	Base Cost Common Wall: 1 Wal. Phy/Ab.Phy/Func/Econ. Separately Depreciate (16) Deck/Balcony Treated Wood,Stand. County Multiplier =	Overhang 36.44 0.00 0.00 stments Rate  2400.00  4975.00 3085.00  rick Foundation: 42 Inch (Unfinished) 22.60 1 2275.00 /Comb.%Good= 65/100/100/100/65.0, Depr. ed Items:  ard 6.10 1.52 => Cost /Comb.%Good= 93/100/100/100/93.0, Depr. Total Depreciated	1512 100,593 15 547 Size Cost 1 2,400 1 4,975 1 3,085 552 12,475 1 -2,275 Cost = 120,339 800 4,880 New = 7,418 Cost = 6,898 Cost = 127,237

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application.

#### **GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP VARIANCE APPLICATION**

Meeting Date:

9-20-110

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Case # 16-28

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PAID Variance Application Fee \$125.00 for Residential   \$300.00 for Commercial/Industrial
ARTICLE 23 of the Genoa Township Zoning Ordinance describes the Variance procedure and the duties of the Zoning Board of Appeals (see attached).
Applicant/Owner:Jon and Pamela Okopski
Property Address: 100 Chilson Road, Howell, MI Phone: (734)564-8206
Property Address: 100 Chilson Road, Howell, MI Phone: (734)564-8206  Present Zoning: Suburban Residential Tax Code: 48843
The applicant respectfully requests that an adjustment of the terms of the Zonlng Ordinance be made in the case of their property because the following peculiar or unusual conditions are present which justify variance:
1. Variance requested: See attached
2. Intended property modifications: None a. Unusual topography/shape of land (explain):
b. Other (explain):
The following is required. Failure to meet this requirement may result in postponement or denial of this petition.  Property must be staked showing all proposed improvements seven (7) days before the meeting and remain in place until after the meeting.
Date: 8-16-16 Signature:
Application must be completely filled out before submittal to

Any Variance not acted upon within 12 months from the date of approval is invalid and must receive a renewal from the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA).

Township and all submittal requirements must accompany

After the decision is made regarding your Variance approval a land use permit will be required.

#### Attachment to Genoa Township Variance Application

#### Variance Request

I am requesting a variance to allow me to keep five (5) chickens and three (3) ducks on my property.

I have owned this property since August 2011. These particular chickens and ducks have been with my family and me the entire time I have lived on the property. They are, at this point, a part of my family.

I have not had any complaints about these animals from my immediate neighbors. I am aware, however, that new arrivals to the neighborhood have filed disingenuous complaints with the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development ("MDARD") alleging that excessive noise and odor was coming from my property. Based upon this complaint, an MDARD representative inspected my property on July 8, 2016. The representative that inspected my property complimented me on the way that I was maintaining my property and specifically stated that she did not find any merit to the allegation that there was excessive noise or odor coming from my property. She indicated to me that she would be closing her file.

I am not a breeder of chickens and ducks and I have no intention of bringing more chickens and ducks on my property. These animals are domesticated and I simply wish to be allowed to keep them until they die naturally.

To the extent that having these few chickens and ducks on my property is a nonconforming use, I am requesting a variance pursuant to Article 24, which would allow me to maintain this nonconforming use strictly for the chickens, and ducks which currently live on my property. I am not requesting the right to bring additional chickens or ducks or replace the chickens or ducks when they die of natural causes.

Jon Okopski



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#### **SUPERVISOR**

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Genoa Township Zoning Board of Appeals

**FROM:** Amy Ruthig, Zoning Official

DATE: September 29, 2016

**RE:** ZBA 16-28

#### STAFF REPORT

File Number: ZBA#16-28

Site Address: 100 Chilson Road

Parcel Number: 4711-06-100-020

Parcel Size: .610

Applicant: Jon and Pamela Okopski, 100 Chilson Road, Howell 48843

Property Owner: Same as applicant

Information Submitted: Application and site plan

**Request:** Use variance

**Project Description:** Applicant is requesting a use variance to allow chickens and

ducks in Suburban Residential (SR) zoning.

Zoning and Existing Use: SR (Suburban Residential), single family home.

#### Other:

Public hearing was published in the Livingston County Press and Argus on Sunday October 2, 2016 and a 300 foot mailing was sent to any real property within 300 feet of the property in accordance with the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act.

#### **Background**

The following is a brief summary of the background information we have on file:

See Real Estate Summary and Record Card.

The applicant is requesting a use variance to allow them to keep their poultry within the SR zoning which currently prohibits chickens.

#### **Variance Requests**

3.03.02 (g) (2) Use Variance: to allow chickens and ducks in a SR zoning.

<u>Summary of Findings of Fact-</u> After reviewing the application and materials provided, I offer the possible findings of fact for your consideration:

Please note that in order for a variance to be approved it has to meet all of the standards in 23.05.04.

- (a) The applicant has not demonstrated that the site cannot be reasonably used for any of the uses allowed within the SR zoning.
- (b) There are no unique circumstances peculiar to the property and or other properties in the SR zoning district. The applicant has not proven that there are certain features or conditions of the land that are not applicable throughout the zone. In addition, the keeping of chickens and ducks is not necessary to earn a reasonable return.
- (c) The Michigan Right to Farm Act passed in 1981, provided exemptions from local zoning for Agricultural uses including keeping of animals. In 2014, the MDARD made a determination that local government ordinances would prevail in primarily residential areas (Category 4 sites). This change in how Right to Farm is applied caused the Okopski's property to become non-conforming therefore the need for the variance was not self-created.
- (d) The capacity and operations of public roads, utilities, other facilities and services will not be significantly compromised.
- (e) This property is located in an area predominantly made up of small residential lots and commercial properties. The use variance would alter the character of the neighborhood. The keeping of chicken and ducks in the SR district has potential to pose a detriment to adjacent properties.

#### **Recommended Conditions**

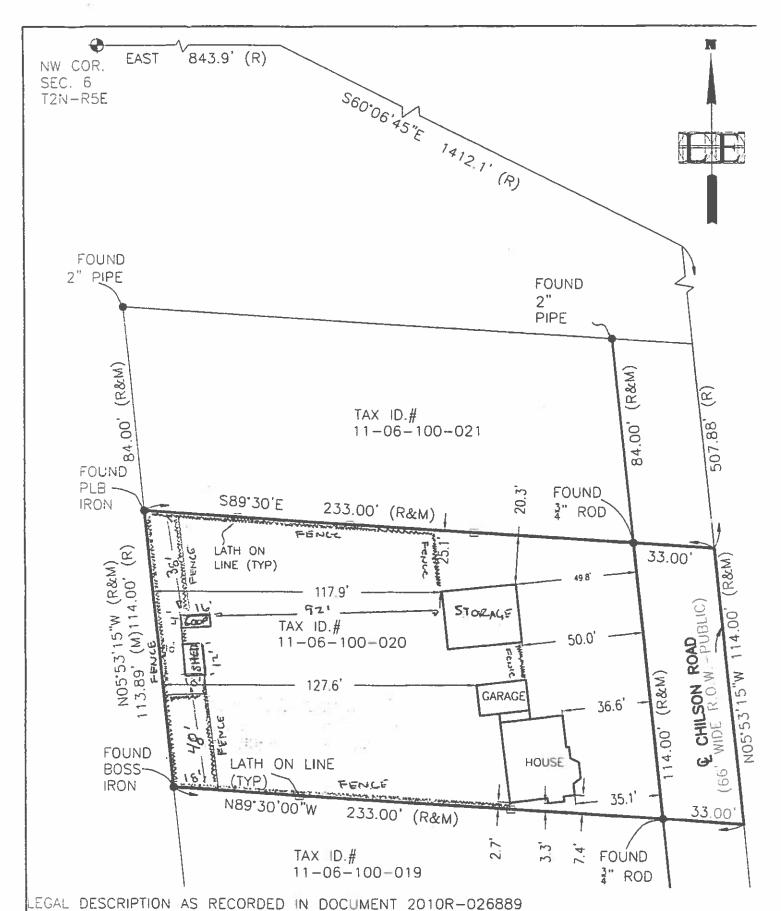
If the Zoning Board of Appeals grants the variance request staff recommends the following conditions be placed on the approval.

1. If approved, Board could consider that the applicant cannot add any new animals when the current animals pass.





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A part of the Northwest fractional 1/4 of Section 6, Town 2 North, Range 5 East, Genoa Township, Livingston County, Michigan, described as follows: Commencing at the Northwest corner of said Section 6; thence East 843.9 feet; thence South 60 degrees 6 minutes 45 seconds East 1412.1 feet; thence South 5 degrees 53 minutes 15 Seconds East 507.88 fee for a point of beginning; thence North 89 degrees 30 minutes West 233 feet; thence South degrees 15 seconds East 114 feet; thence South 89 degrees 30 minutes East 233 feet; thence North 5 degrees 53 minutes 15 seconds West 114 feet to the point of beginning.

Amy Ruthig Genoa TWP. Zoning Administrator and Zoning Board Members 2911 Dorr Road Brighton, MI 48116

#### RE: Appeal at 100 S. Chilson Road

Dear Ms. Ruthig and Honorable Zoning Board Members,

I would like to offer some comments on the appeal regarding the keeping of chickens at 100 S. Chilson Road. I hope you will read and consider these comments at your board meeting.

My name is Jim Rowell. I work for Livingston County and my office is in the East complex adjacent to Mr. and Mrs. Okopski's home. Since January of 2010, I have been the first person to arrive each morning and I also park in the same place within 60 feet of the Okopski's back fence where these birds are kept. Until a few weeks ago, I didn't even know these birds were there. I have never heard them or seen them roam free in more than 6 years of tenure at the county. I heard about this recently from one of the residents.

Although I am not a neighbor living here on this street, our staff of more than 20 employees and myself are in this parking lot numerous times throughout each work day. I have asked the staff and none of us were aware of the existence of these animals.

As a former ordinance officer myself, I appreciate and respect the value and purpose of the ordinances. However I can also tell you from my experience that more than half the time, ordinance complaints are not motivated by the violation of the ordinance itself. Many times it is more personal in nature.

For the last few years, I have watched the Okopski's take a vacant home which was somewhat neglected and turn it into one of the nicer homes on this short section of residences. They're nice people with nice kids and appear to have great relationships with most of the neighbors. Clearly they have done more to improve their property in the last few years than most homes in this stretch of road. They have added paver brick walks, landscaping and keep the property nice.

The benchmark of a good variance board is to consider all aspects of any issue before them. I hope that this board will consider the request of the Okopski's and the wishes of the majority of the neighborhood and consider a fair reasonable and resolution to this issue. Thank you for taking the time to read this letter.

Jim Rowell 5240 Mountain Road Brighton MI 48116

#### **Amy Ruthig**

From:

John Dunlap <jdunlap1000@gmail.com>

Sent:

Saturday, October 08, 2016 9:57 PM

To:

**Amy Ruthig** 

Subject:

October 18th meeting

#### To Whom it May Concern:

This is in regards to a proposed variance that is on the agenda for October 18th Genoa Township Zoning Board of Appeals meeting. I received a notice regarding my neighbors Jon & Pamela Okopski for a use variance to allow chickens & ducks in our neighborhood. My wife & I will not be in town to attend the meeting & would like you to inform the board that we have never had an issue with any chickens or ducks. We have never once been bothered by any noises from them, smelled them or found them disturbing in any way shape or form for the YEARS that they have raised the animals. Please allow the chickens & ducks to stay, they are well taken care of & are beloved pets to our neighbors. We enjoy watching the ducks waddle around their backyard & it would be very sad to see them taken away from their family.

Thank you, John & Stacy Dunlap 140 Chilson Road 517-404-0349

Parcel Number: 4711-06-10	0-020	Jurisdicti	on: GENOA CHA	ARTER TOWNS	HIP	County: LIVI	INGSTON		Printed or		09/29/2016
Grantor	Grantee		Sale Price	Sale Date	Inst. Type	Terms of S	ale	Libe & Pa		erified	Prcnt. Trans.
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Property Address	I	Class: 40	1 RESIDENTIAL-	IM Zoning:	SR Bu	ilding Permit	(s)	Da	ate Numbe	er S	tatus
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		P.R.E. 10	0% 08/03/2011								
Owner's Name/Address		MAP #: V1	6-28								
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Livingston, Michigan				2014	15,3	3	1,500	46,800	(	D	0

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Building Type	(3) Roof (cont.)	(11) Heating/Cooling	(15) Built-ins	(15) Fireplaces	(16) Porches/Decks	(17) Gara	ge
X Single Family Mobile Home Town Home Duplex A-Frame  X Wood Frame	Eavestrough Insulation 0 Front Overhang 0 Other Overhang (4) Interior  Drywall Plaster Paneled Wood T&G	X Gas Wood Coal Elec. Steam  Forced Air w/o Ducts Forced Hot Water Electric Baseboard Elec. Ceil. Radiant Radiant (in-floor)	Appliance Allow. Cook Top Dishwasher Garbage Disposal Bath Heater Vent Fan Hot Tub Unvented Hood	Interior 1 Story Interior 2 Story 2nd/Same Stack Two Sided Exterior 1 Story 1 Exterior 2 Story Prefab 1 Story Prefab 2 Story	Area Type  36 Brzwy, FW	Year Built Car Capaci Class: CD Exterior: Brick Ven. Stone Ven. Common Wal Foundation	ty: Siding : 0 : 0 1: 1/2 Wal : 42 Inch
Building Style: CD  Yr Built Remodeled 1960 0  Condition for Age: Good  Room List	Trim & Decoration  Ex X Ord Min  Size of Closets  Lg X Ord Small  Doors: Solid X H.C.  (5) Floors	Electric Wall Heat Space Heater Wall/Floor Furnace Forced Heat & Cool Heat Pump No Heating/Cooling Central Air	Vented Hood Intercom Jacuzzi Tub Jacuzzi repl.Tub Oven Microwave Standard Range Self Clean Range	Heat Circulator Raised Hearth Wood Stove Direct-Vented Gas  Class: CD Effec. Age: 59 Floor Area: 1263 Total Base Cost: 103	CntyMult	Finished ? Auto. Door Mech. Door Area: 240 % Good: 0 Storage Ar No Conc. F Bsmnt Gara	s: 0 s: 0 ea: 0 loor: 0
Basement 1st Floor 2nd Floor	Kitchen: Other: Other:	Wood Furnace (12) Electric   0 Amps Service	Sauna Trash Compactor Central Vacuum Security System	Total Base New: 157 Total Depr Cost: 75, Estimated T.C.V: 74,	,944 E.C.F. 966 X 0.986	Carport Ar Roof:	
3 Bedrooms (1) Exterior X Wood/Shingle	(6) Ceilings	No./Qual. of Fixtures    Ex.   X   Ord.   Min  No. of Elec. Outlets	Stories Exterior 1.5 Story Siding Other Additions/Adju	Basement 78.4	Bsmnt-Adj Heat-Ad 9 0.00 0.00 Rate	j Size 842 Size	Cost 66,089 Cost
Aluminum/Vinyl Brick	(7) Excavation	Many   X   Ave.   Few   (13) Plumbing	(9) Basement Finish Basement Recreatio (13) Plumbing	n Finish	11.25	210	2,363
Insulation (2) Windows	Basement: 842 S.F. Crawl: 0 S.F. Slab: 0 S.F.	Average Fixture(s) 1 3 Fixture Bath	2 Fixture Bath (14) Water/Sewer Well, 200 Feet		1325.00 4675.00	2	2,650 4,675
Many Large X Avg. Small	Height to Joists: 0.0 (8) Basement	2 2 Fixture Bath Softener, Auto Softener, Manual	1000 Gal Septic (15) Built-Ins & Fir Fireplace: Exterio		2895.00 4150.00	1	2,895 4,150
Wood Sash Metal Sash Vinyl Sash	Conc. Block Poured Conc. Stone Treated Wood	Solar Water Heat No Plumbing Extra Toilet Extra Sink	(16) Breezeways Frame Wall, Finishe (17) Garages	d Siding Foundation: 4	27.25	36	981
Double Hung Horiz. Slide Casement	Concrete Floor (9) Basement Finish	Separate Shower Ceramic Tile Floor Ceramic Tile Wains	Base Cost Common Wall: 1/2 W	-	28.10 -625.00	240 1	6,744 -625 61,506
Double Glass Patio Doors Storms & Screens	210 Recreation SF Living SF Walkout Doors	Ceramic Tub Alcove Vent Fan  (14) Water/Sewer	Separately Depreciat (17) Garages		· -		,
(3) Roof  X Gable Gambrel Hip Mansard Flat Shed  X Asphalt Shingle	No Floor SF  (10) Floor Support  Joists: Unsupported Len: Cntr.Sup:	Public Water Public Sewer  1 Water Well 1 1000 Gal Septic 2000 Gal Septic	Base Cost County Multiplier =	1.52 => /Comb.%Good= 68/100/1	19.43 Cos	720 t New = .Cost = .Cost =	13,990 21,264 14,460 75,966 74,902
Chimney: Brick		Lump Sum Items:					

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application.

#### **GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP VARIANCE APPLICATION**

Case # 16 - 35 Meeting Date: 10 - 18 - 16

2911 DORR ROAD | BRIGHTON, MICHIGAN 48116 (810) 227-5225 | FAX (810) 227-3420

\$125.00 for Residential   \$300.00 for Commercial/Industrial
ARTICLE 23 of the Genoa Township Zoning Ordinance describes the Variance procedure and the duties of the Zoning Board of Appeals (see attached).
Applicant/Owner:
Property Address: 3535 Beattle Rd Phone: (248)996-3389
Present Zoning: CE Tax Code: 4711 - 19 - 400-012
The applicant respectfully requests that an adjustment of the terms of the Zoning Ordinance be made in the case of their property because the following peculiar or unusual conditions are present which justify variance:
1. Variance requested: Detached Garage in Front Yard and Size Variance
2. Intended property modifications:
a. Unusual topography/shape of land (explain): Slope of property - Placement of
existing home - corner lot - location of septic field - DTE Wires.
b. Other (explain):
The following is required. Failure to meet this requirement may result in postponement or denial of this petition.
Property must be staked showing <u>all</u> proposed improvements seven (7) days before the meeting and remain in place until after the meeting.
Date: 9-23-16 Signature: Children
Application must be completely filled out before submittal to

Any Variance not acted upon within 12 months from the date of approval is invalid and must receive a renewal from the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA).

Township and all submittal requirements must accompany

After the decision is made regarding your Variance approval a land use permit will be required.



2911 Dorr Road Brighton, MI 48116 810.227.5225 810.227.3420 fax genoa.org

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Gary T. McCririe

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#### **TRUSTEES**

H. James Mortensen Jean W. Ledford Todd W. Smith Linda Rowell

#### **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Genoa Township Zoning Board of Appeals

**FROM:** Amy Ruthig, Zoning Official

**DATE:** October 12, 2016

**RE:** ZBA 16-35

#### STAFF REPORT

File Number: ZBA#16-35

**Site Address:** 3535 Beattie Road Howell 48843

**Parcel Number:** 4711-19-400-012

Parcel Size: 2.16 Acres

**Applicant:** Joe Valenti, 3815 E. Coon Lake Road Howell, MI 48843

**Property Owner:** Same as applicant

Information Submitted: Application and site plan

**Request:** Dimensional Variance

**Project Description**: Applicant is requesting a size variance and a variance to place a

detached accessory structure in the front yard.

**Zoning and Existing Use:** CE (Country Estates)

#### Other:

Public hearing was published in the Livingston County Press and Argus on Sunday October 2, 2016 and 300 foot mailings were sent to any real property within 300 feet of the property in accordance with the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act.

#### **Background**

The following is a brief summary of the background information we have on file:

• See Real Estate Summary and Record Card.

The applicant is seeking a size variance and a variance to allow a detached accessory structure in the front yard. On the property currently there is an unenclosed carport with a single family home.

#### **Variance Requests**

The following is the section of the Zoning Ordinance that the variances are being requested from:

<u>Section 11.04.01</u> (h) (1): Required Size: 1200 sq.ft. (combined total)

Proposed Size: New 864, Existing 578= 1442 total

Proposed Variance Amount: 242 sq. ft.

Section 11.04.01 (c): requesting a variance to construct detached accessory in the front yard.

<u>Summary of Findings of Fact-</u> After reviewing the application and materials provided, I offer the possible findings of fact for your consideration:

Please note that in order for a variance to be approved it has to meet all of the standards in 23.05.03.

**Practical Difficulty/Substantial Justice** –Strict compliance with the Zoning Ordinance in regards to size and location would prevent the applicant from constructing a detached accessory structure. It does not unreasonably prevent use of the property. Granting the variance would give substantial justice.

**Extraordinary Circumstances** – The existing home and carport was designed and built by a prominent local architect. The home has unique contemporary architecture making application of traditional zoning challenging. Granting of the variance would make it consistent within the vicinity (see attached aerial).

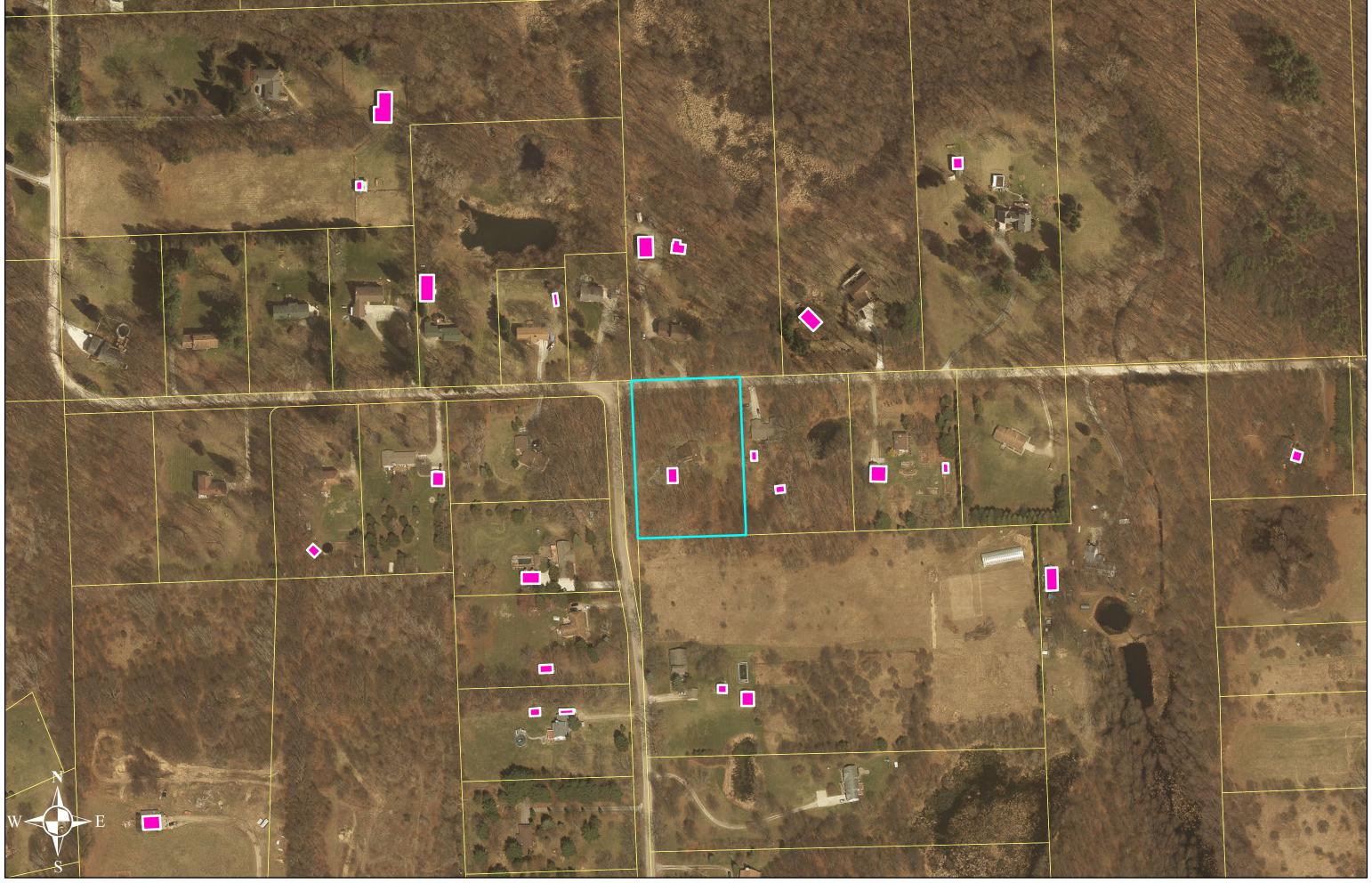
**Public Safety and Welfare** – The granting of these variances will not impair an adequate supply of light and air to adjacent property or unreasonably increase the congestion in public streets, or increase the danger of fire or endanger the public safety, comfort, morals or welfare of the inhabitants of the Township of Genoa.

**Impact on Surrounding Neighborhood** – The proposed variances would not have an impact on the appropriate development, continued use, or value of adjacent properties and the surrounding neighborhood.

#### **Recommended Conditions**

If the Zoning Board of Appeals grants the variance request staff recommends the following conditions be placed on the approval:

- 1. Structure will be guttered with downspouts and drainage will be maintained on the lot.
- 2. No additional outbuildings will be allowed.

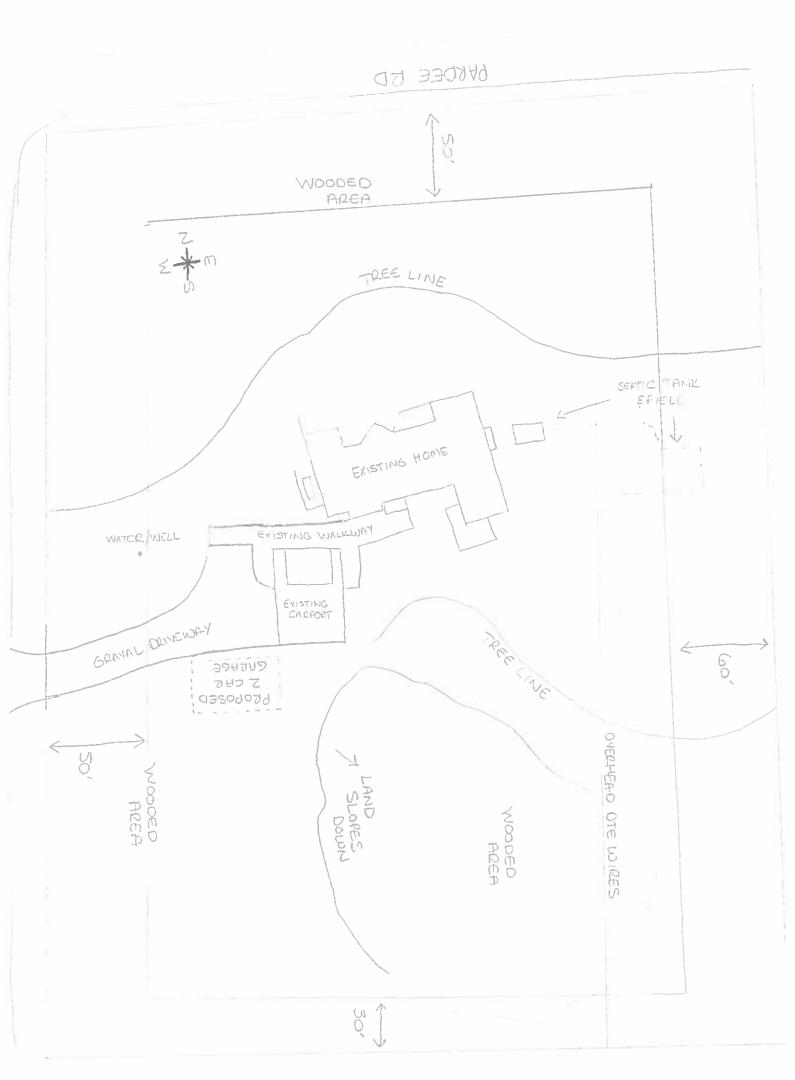


Parcel lines are approximate. Not intended for survey purposes.





Orthophotos Flown Spring 2015
Parcel lines are a representation only;
Not intended for survey purposes.



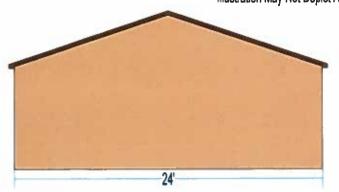
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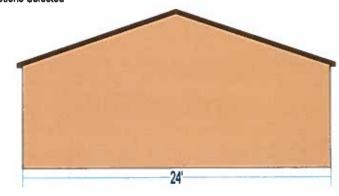


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\*\*\* Here are the wall configurations for your design.

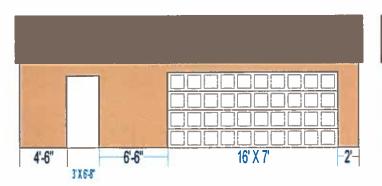
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Gable Front View

Gable Back View





Eave Back View

Eave Front View
(1) - PREHUNGSTE SERVICEDOO CP1 FLUSH STEEL DOOR PH 36X80 LH SB
(1) - GARAGE DOOR 16X7WHITE INSUL RAISEDPNL EZSETTORSN M4SV 16X7WHITE INSUL RAISEDPNL EZSETTORSN M4SV

Building Size: 24 feet wide X 32 feet long X 8 feet high Approximate Peak Height: 12 feet 4 inches (148 inches)

NOTE: Overhead doors may need to be "Wind Code Rated" depending on your building location. Confirm the door requirements with your local zoning official before construction.

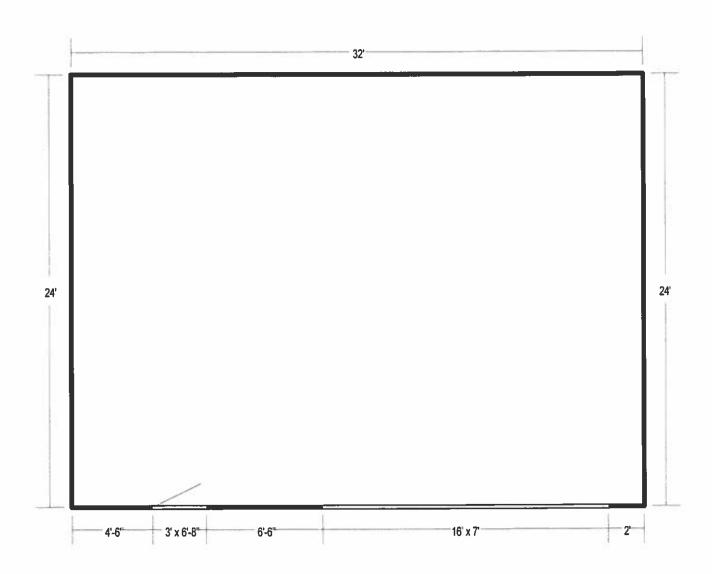
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# Estimate Id: 33514 \*\*\* Garage Floor Plan.



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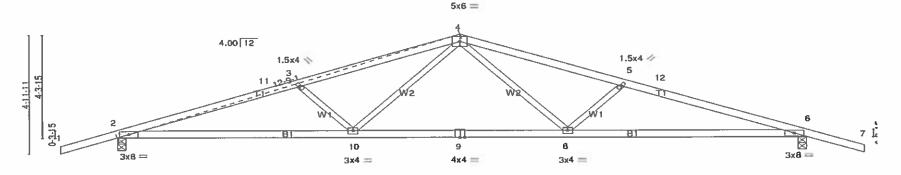
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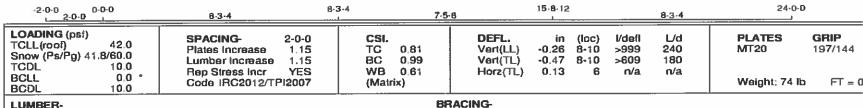


Midwest Manufacturing, Eau Claire, Wi

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LUMBER-

TOP CHORD 2x4 SPF No.2 BOT CHORD 2x4 SPF No.2 **WEBS** 2x3 SPF Stud TOP CHORD **BOT CHORD**  Structural wood sheathing directly applied or 2-2-0 oc purlins. Rigid ceiling directly applied or 2-2-0 oc bracing.

MiTek recommends that Stabilizers and required cross bracing be installed during truss erection, in accordance with Stabilizer Installation guide.

REACTIONS. (b/size) 6=1681/0-3-8 (min. 0-2-10), 2=1681/0-3-8 (min. 0-2-10)

Max Horz 2=-82(LC 15)

Max Uplift6=-301(LC 11), 2=-301(LC 10) Max Grav 6=1693(LC 2), 2=1693(LC 2)

FORCES. (lb) - Max. Comp./Max. Ten. - All forces 250 (lb) or less except when shown.

2-11=-3428/634, 3-11=-3240/649, 3-4=-2969/570, 4-5=-2969/570, TOP CHORD

5-12=-3240/649, 6-12=-3428/634

2-10=-507/3144, 9-10=-286/2160, 8-9=-286/2160, 6-8=-507/3144 **BOT CHORD** 3-10=-789/229, 4-10=-96/1006, 4-8=-97/1006, 5-8=-789/229 WEBS

#### JOINT STRESS INDEX

2 = 0.79, 3 = 0.51, 4 = 0.78, 5 = 0.51, 6 = 0.79, 8 = 0.95, 9 = 0.87 and 10 = 0.95

1) Unbalanced roof live loads have been considered for this design.

2) Wind: ASCE 7-10; Vult=115mph (3-second gust) V(IRC2012)=91mph; TCDL=4.2psf; BCDL=6.0psf; h=25ft; Cat. II; Exp C; enclosed; MWFRS (envelope) gable end zone and C-C Exterior(2) zone; cantilever left and right exposed; end vertical left and right exposed; C-C for members and forces & MWFRS for reactions shown; Lumber DOL=1.60 plate grip DOL=1.60

3) TCLL: ASCE 7-10; Pr=42.0 psf (roof live load: Lumber DOL=1.15 Plate DOL=1.15); Pg=60.0 psf (ground snow); Ps=41.6 psf (roof snow; Lumber DOL=1.15 Plate DOL=1.15); Category II; Exp C; Fully Exp.; Ct=1.1

4) Roof design snow load has been reduced to account for slope.

Cóntinued on nace 2

#### **Amy Ruthig**

From:

Ted Gerutta <tgerutta@comcast.net>

Sent:

Tuesday, October 04, 2016 5:17 PM

To:

**Amy Ruthig** 

Subject:

Genoa Township Zoning Board of Appeals - 3535 Beattie Road Variance Request

Hello Ms. Ruthig,

I am writing you in response to the variance request notification you sent me for 3535 Beattie Road.

First, thank you for contacting me and allowing me the opportunity to review and comment on the variance request. I'm glad the local home owners have an opportunity to participate in the decision process.

I was able to stop into the office and review the file for this request. Given the lack of any enclosed parking space and the limit storage space the request seems reasonable and appropriate. The proposed location for the new structure also seem appropriate and I feel it will add value to the property. I have no objective to the proposed structure and I'm happy to support granting the requested variance.

If I can be of any other assistance please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you, Ted Gerutta 2540 Pardee

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Parcel Number: 4711-19-400-012 Jurisdiction: GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP County: LIVINGSTON Printed on

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X Single Family Mobile Home Town Home Duplex A-Frame  X Wood Frame  Building Style: BC  Yr Built Remodeled 1979 0  Condition for Age: Good  Room List  Basement 1st Floor 2nd Floor	Eavestrough Insulation 0 Front Overhang 0 Other Overhang (4) Interior  Drywall Plaster Paneled Wood T&G  Trim & Decoration  Ex X Ord Min Size of Closets  Lg X Ord Small Doors: Solid X H.C. (5) Floors  Kitchen: Other:	X Gas Wood Oil Elec. Coal Steam  Forced Air w/o Ducts  X Forced Air w/ Ducts Forced Hot Water Electric Baseboard Elec. Ceil. Radiant Radiant (in-floor) Electric Wall Heat Space Heater Wall/Floor Furnace Forced Heat & Cool Heat Pump No Heating/Cooling  Central Air Wood Furnace  (12) Electric  0 Amps Service	Appliance Allow. Cook Top Dishwasher Garbage Disposal Bath Heater Vent Fan Hot Tub Unvented Hood Vented Hood Intercom Jacuzzi Tub Jacuzzi Tub Jacuzzi repl.Tub Oven Microwave Standard Range Self Clean Range Sauna Trash Compactor Central Vacuum Security System	Interior 1 Story Interior 2 Story 2nd/Same Stack Two Sided Exterior 1 Story Exterior 2 Story Prefab 1 Story Heat Circulator Raised Hearth Wood Stove Direct-Vented Gas  Class: BC Effec. Age: 26 Floor Area: 2120 Total Base New: 236,557 Total Depr Cost: 175,052 Estimated T.C.V: 172,601  Page WSEP (1 Story) Pine  96 WSEP (1 Story) Pine  96 Pine  96 WSEP (1 Story) Pine  96 Exterior: Siding Brick Ven.: 0 Stone Ven.: 0 Common Wall: Detach Foundation: 42 Inch Foundation
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#### GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS September 20, 2016, 6:30 PM

#### **MINUTES**

<u>Call to Order</u>: Chairman Dhaenens called the regular meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals to order at 6:32 pm at the Genoa Charter Township Hall. The members and staff of the Zoning Board of Appeals were present as follows: Jeff Dhaenens, Marianne McCreary, Jean Ledford, Barb Figurski, Dean Tengel, and Amy Ruthig, Zoning Administrator.

**<u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>**: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Introduction**: The members of the Board introduced themselves.

#### Approval of the Agenda:

**Moved** by Figurski, seconded by McCreary, to approve the agenda as presented. **The motion** carried unanimously.

<u>Call to the Public</u>: The call to the public was made at 6:33 pm with no response.

1. 16-29...A request by Tammy Parisian and Beverly Donald, Property ID 4711-10-102-031 Lot 30, Vacant Dickson Drive, for 2 front yard, 1 side yard, and lot coverage variances in order to construct a new home.

Ms. Parisian was present. She stated that after the survey was done, they learned the lot line was back further than originally thought due to an unimproved, platted road that was never put in.

Board Member Figurski does not want to allow a lot coverage variance of 51 percent. Board Member McCreary also has concerns with the lot coverage variance.

Board Member Tengel feels that with the abandoned road and the fact that the deck is being included in the lot coverage, the home would be under the lot coverage requirement.

The call to the public was made at 6:50 pm. Chairman Dhaenens noted that a letter was received from Thomas Mitchell at 5315 Dickson advising that he is against the 3-foot side-yard variance.

Chairman Dhaenens stated this is a unique lot because of the hill and the abandoned road. He noted that the neighbors have built homes into the roadway area.

**Moved** by Tengel, seconded by Ledford, to approve the front (south) yard setback variance of 30 feet, the side yard setback variance of 3 feet, the front (north) yard setback variance of 17.5 feet, and the lot coverage variance of 1.2 percent based on the following findings of fact:

• The need for the variance is not self-created.

- Strict compliance with the front, side, and rear yard setbacks and lot coverage limit would prevent the applicant from constructing a new single-family home.
- Granting of the variances would offer substantial justice to the applicant.
- The exceptional or extraordinary condition of the property is due to the narrowness and size of the lot, the steep grade on the north portion of the lot, and the unimproved platted road, which is occupied by adjacent lot owners because the road is abandoned.
- The variances are not self-created.
- Granting of the requested variances will not impair an adequate supply of light and air to adjacent properties or unreasonably increase the congestion on public streets or increase the danger of fire or endanger the public safety, comfort, morals or welfare of the inhabitants of the Township of Genoa.
- Granting the requested variances would have little or no impact on the appropriate development, continued use or value of adjacent properties and the surrounding neighborhood.

This approval is conditioned upon:

- Drainage from the structure must be maintained on the lot.
- The structure must be guttered with downspouts.
- No other impervious surfaces will be allowed on the property. The driveway will have to be gravel.

The motion carried (Ledford – yes; Dhaenens – yes; Figurski – no; McCreary – yes; Tengel – yes)

2. 16-30... A request by John Fallone, 3815 E. Coon Lake Road, for a height variance to allow a six-foot fence in the side and rear yard.

John and Amber Fallone were present. They would like to keep the fence that is currently there. They thought the fence company pulled the permit, but they did not. Having this fence will reduce the noise from Coon Lake and will allow for the safety of their pets and their family's children when they visit.

Chairman Dhaenens questioned the applicant as to why they did not put up a four-foot fence, per the ordinance. Mr. Fallone stated he would still be able to hear the road with a four-foot fence. They also would like privacy from their neighbors.

All Board Members agree there is not a practical difficulty with the land and that the need for the variance is self-created.

The call to the public was made at 7:16 pm.

The applicant submitted a petition signed by his three neighbors asking for the fence to remain.

The call to the public was closed at 7:17 pm.

**Moved** by Tengel, seconded by McCreary, to deny the request to allow a six-foot fence in the side and rear yards based on the following findings of fact:

- There is no practical difficulty.
- The need for the variance is self-created.
- The variance will not make the property more consistent with the vicinity.
- The granting of this variance will not impair an adequate supply of air to adjacent properties or unreasonably increase the congestion on public streets or increase the danger of fire or endanger the public safety, comfort, morals or welfare of the inhabitants of the Township of Genoa.
- The proposed variance would have no impact on the appropriate development, continued use or value of adjacent properties and the surrounding neighborhood.

The motion carried unanimously.

3. 16-31...A request by Dennis Danville, 822 Sunrise Park, for a variance to allow a covered or enclosed deck within principle building required side yard setbacks.

Mr. Dennis Danville was present. He stated the deck is existing, and he is not increasing the footprint. He would like to screen in a section of the deck. The screen will not block the views for the neighbors. His home was built in the 1940's and it does not meet today's requirements. He is asking for a five-foot variance on one side to allow a covered and enclosed deck.

The call to the public was made at 7:32 pm.

Ms. Lyn Hewitt of 837 Sunrise Park stated she is in support of the enclosure as long as it stays within the footprint of the existing deck.

Chairman Dhaenens noted that letters have been received from four neighbors who are in support of this variance; two of whom live on either side of Mr. Danville.

The call to the public was closed at 7:35 pm.

**Moved** by McCreary, seconded by Ledford, to approve Case #16-31 for 822 Sunrise Park by Dennis Danville for a five-foot side-yard setback variance to allow a covered and enclosed deck within the principle building required side-yard setback based on the following findings of fact:

- Strict compliance with the setback does not unreasonably prevent the use of the property.
- Granting the variance would not provide substantial justice.
- Granting of this variance will not be restricting views of the surrounding homes.
- The extraordinary circumstances are the location of the existing home and the narrowness of the lot as it exists.
- Granting this variance could impair an adequate supply of light and air to adjacent properties or unreasonably increase the congestion on public streets or

- increase the danger of fire or compromise the comfort, morals or welfare of the inhabitants of the Township.
- Granting the variance may have an impact on the continued use or value of adjacent properties.
- Granting the variance will not have a negative impact on surrounding properties. **The motion carried unanimously**.

# 4. 16-32...A request by Brian Lahaie, 2862 Stanwood Place, for rear and side yard variances in order to build an attached garage addition to an existing home.

Mr. Lahaie was present. He is asking for two variances to build a 28x32 garage addition. He noted that his lot is oddly shaped. The new addition is three feet higher than the existing garage and home. He will use the same materials that are currently on the home. He has spoken to his neighbors and they are in support of these variances.

Board Member Tengel does not see a practical difficulty. He feels the addition can be shifted or made smaller and then there would not be a need for a variance.

After a brief discussion, Mr. Lahaie asked to have his request postponed until the next meeting to review the plans and possibly change the location and/or size of the addition.

The call to the public was made at 7:55 pm with no response.

**Moved** by Tengel, seconded by Ledford, to postpone Case #16-32 from Brian Lahaie until the next regularly-scheduled ZBA meeting of October 18, 2016 per the petitioner's request. **The motion carried unanimously.** 

### 16-33...A request by Scott Bederka, 3783 Highcrest, for a waterfront variance to construct a covered deck for a new construction home.

Mr. Scott Tarkleson, the builder, and Mr. Scott Bederka, the homeowner, were present. Mr. Tarkleson stated that the measurement for the setback has to be from the closest part of the lake and he made an error when calculating the need for a variance, which is why they did not make this request when they were before the Board in May. They would like to build a covered deck.

The call to the public was made at 8:01 pm with no response.

**Moved** by Ledford, seconded by McCreary, to approve Case #16-33 from Scott Tarkleson, builder, and Scott Bederka, owner, at 3783 Highcrest for a 4.2 foot

waterfront variance from the required 65.6 feet to 61.4 feet to allow construction of a 10x16 deck based upon the following findings of fact:

- A variance was approved on May 17, 2016; however, the covered 10x16 deck was not included on the site plan.
- Strict compliance with the waterfront setback would prevent the applicant from constructing a covered deck.
- Granting the requested variance would do substantial justice to the applicant as well as to the other property owners in the district.
- The extraordinary condition of the property is the placement of the seawall.
- Granting the requested variance would make the property consistent with a few other properties in the vicinity.
- Granting the requested variance will not impair an adequate supply of light and air to adjacent properties or unreasonably increase the congestion on public streets or increase the danger of fire or endanger the public safety, comfort, morals or welfare of the inhabitants of the Township of Genoa.
- The proposed variance would have a limited impact on the appropriate development, continued use or value of adjacent properties and the surrounding neighborhood.

The motion carried unanimously.

# 16-34...A request by John Spencer, 3011 Old Carriage Trail, for a front yard variance to construct an addition to an existing home.

Mr. John Spencer of Spencer & Sons Construction, and Mark and Cheryl Colloton, the homeowners, were present.

Mr. Spencer feels the practical difficulty is how the road curves as well as the location of the home on the lot. They could erect a free-standing building; however, they do not feel that is consistent with the neighborhood.

Board Member McCreary asked if more asphalt will be added to the property. Mr. Spencer stated no. They will be removing the existing asphalt on the side of the garage and putting the extension there.

The call to the public was made at 8:12 pm.

The applicant submitted a letter of support from Kathryn Schreyer-Poppy of 3049 Old Carriage Trail.

Mr. Don Arbic of 3065 Old Carriage Trail would prefer to have the addition on the end of the garage instead of a separate building.

The call to the public was closed at 8:13 pm.

**Moved** by McCreary, seconded by Ledford, to approve Case #16-34 at 3011 Old Carriage Trail from John Spencer for a front yard variance of 10 feet from the required 40 feet to 30 feet to construct a 20x12 addition/workshop based on the following findings of fact:

- The extraordinary circumstances are the lot layout, the curve on the front and the placement of the home on the irregularly-shaped lot.
- The need for the variance is not self-created.
- The granting of this variance will not impair light or air to adjacent properties.
- The granting of this variance will not endanger the safety, comfort, morals or welfare of the inhabitants of the Township of Genoa.
- The granting of this variance will not increase traffic congestion.
- There will be limited impact on the surrounding neighborhood.

Granting this variance is conditioned upon the following:

- Drainage from the home must be maintained on the lot.
- The structure must be guttered with downspouts.
- Approval must be obtained from the Livingston County Drain Commission if necessary.

#### **Administrative Business:**

1. Approval of minutes for the August 16, 2016 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting

**Moved** by Figurski, seconded by Ledford, to approve the August 16, 2016 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting minutes as presented. **The motion carried unanimously.** 

- Correspondence Ms. Ruthig stated that Board Members should have received an email regarding the planning conference. She asked to be advised if anyone would like to attend.
- 3. Township Board Representative Report Board Member Ledford gave a review of the Township Board Meetings of September 6<sup>th</sup> and 19, 2016.
- 4. Planning Commission Representative Report Board Member Figurski gave a review of the Planning Commission meeting of September 12, 2016.
- 5. Zoning Official Report Ms. Ruthig stated she is receiving a lot of questions regarding the height limit for detached structures. The limit is currently 14 feet; however, staff is suggesting changing it to 18 feet when the ordinance is updated.
- 6. Member Discussion

No members had any items to discuss.

7. Adjournment

<b>Moved</b> by Ledford, seconded by Figurski, to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 pm.	The motion
carried unanimously.	

Respectfully submitted:

Patty Thomas, Recording Secretary