

ATTICA TOWNSHIP
MINUTES OF THE
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

September 9th, 2010

At a regular meeting of the Attica Township Zoning Board of Appeals held on the 9th day of September, 2010 at the Attica Township Hall, 4350 Peppermill Road, Attica, MI, 48412, the following members were present: Carol Eisenhardt, William Winslow, Elaine Thayer, Richard Lacey and Nancy Szerlag. Absent: None. Also present: Attorney Michael Gildner and the public per the attached sheet.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairperson Szerlag.

The Board having reviewed the last meeting minutes of May 13th, 2010 and Eisenhardt having pointed out that page 2, paragraph 1 line 1 should state:

MOTION by Szerlag, seconded by Thayer to deny Marty

MOTION by Thayer, seconded by Eisenhardt to approve the May 13th, 2010 Zoning Board of Appeal minutes as corrected. A roll call vote was taken. Szerlag: Aye; Eisenhardt: Aye; Lacey: Aye; Thayer: Aye and Winslow: Aye. Ayes: All; Nays: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Chairperson Szerlag opened the meeting to consider the request of **John and Krista Bishop** to be granted a variance under Section 1200 of the Attica Township Zoning Ordinance, in order to build a new house five feet closer to the property line.

Land situated in the Township of Attica, Lapeer County, Michigan, described as:
SEC 10 T7N R11E COM 1730.5 FT N OF S ¼ PT, TH W 655.5 FT, TH N 13 FT, E 25 FT N 21.16 FT, E 177.66 FT, TH N 76 DEG 05' E 172.05 FT, TH E 285.96 FT TO ¼ LINE, TH S 75.5 FT TO BEG. .86 A

Mr. and Mrs. Bishop were present along with their builder Tom Herron. Mr. Bishop presented the Zoning Board with a photo of the proposed home and explained the reason for the variance request. Mr. Bishop plans on replacing his present home with a smaller home and is requesting the set back variance to accommodate a driveway, on the south side of the property, wide enough to access the lake with a large vehicle. Builder Tom Herron reviewed his plans for building the home and answered questions from the Zoning Board and the public. Neighbor, Kenneth Immink and his son Kevin Immink shared their concerns with building the home closer to the property line. There was lengthy discussion. Attorney Gildner provided guidance with procedure when requested.

MOTION by Winslow, seconded by Thayer to grant John and Krista Bishop a variance under Section 1200 of the Attica Township Zoning Ordinance, in order to build a new house five feet closer to the property line with the condition that the garage be built no closer than ten feet from the road. The reason for granting the variance is access to the lake. A roll call vote was taken. Eisenhardt: Aye; Thayer: Aye; Lacey: Aye; Winslow: Aye and Szerlag: Aye. Ayes: All; Nays: None. **MOTION**

CARRIED.

There being no further business before the Zoning Board of Appeals, **MOTION** by Thayer, seconded by Szerlag to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m. A vote was taken. Ayes: All; Nays: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Nancy Szerlag, Chairperson

Valerie Schultz, Recording Secretary