

ATTICA TOWNSHIP
MINUTES OF THE
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

December 11th, 2014

At a meeting of the Attica Township Zoning Board of Appeals held on the 11th day of December, 2014 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 Kent Gierman. Absent: None. Also present: The public per the attached sheet.

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

The Board having reviewed the last meeting minutes of August 14th, 2014 and there being no corrections, additions or deletions:

MOTION by Thayer, seconded by Lacey to approve the August 14th, 2014 Zoning Board of Appeals minutes as presented. A vote was taken. Ayes: All; Nays: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Chairperson Gierman opened the meeting to consider the request of **Shawn and Jennifer Harrow** to be granted a variance under Section 5.10.B.ii, of the Attica Township Zoning Ordinance, in order to erect a 6 foot high obscuring fence in the front yard.

Land situated in the Township of Attica, Lapeer County, Michigan, described as:

4110 Hunters Creek Road, Metamora, MI 48455 Davis Road, between Five Lakes Road and Lake Pleasant Road, in Section 33 of Attica Township, Michigan.

Chairperson Gierman reviewed Shawn and Jennifer Harrow's application for a variance and stated that the statements in the application are fully supported by the police report.

Shawn Harrow described the harassment he experiences from David Hull. Neighbors Jeremy and Nichole Tennant of 4090 Hunters Creek stated that they feel safer with the fence up because of the harassment they also receive from Mr. Hull.

Chairperson Gierman read the attached letter from David Hull.

Planner Birchler stated that there is good reason to approve the variance due to supporting materials from the prosecutor's office and the police department. The potential concern he had that at the intersection of the street and driveway there could be a vision issue but since the fence does not extend to the lot line, from the

description given, he is comfortable that this would not pose a clear vision problem.

There was lengthy discussion and there being no further comments from the Zoning Board of Appeals:

MOTION by Thayer, seconded by Eisenhardt to grant a variance request under Section 5.10.Bii of the Attica Township Zoning Ordinance, in order to erect a 6 foot high obscuring fence with as much sight separation as possible between neighbors to keep peace between neighbors. A roll call vote was taken: Winslow: Aye; Eisenhardt: Aye; Lacey: Aye; Thayer: Aye and Gierman: Aye. Ayes: All; Nays: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

There being no further business before the Zoning Board of Appeals, **MOTION** by Lacey, seconded by Eisenhardt to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m. A vote was taken. Ayes: All; Nays: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Kent Gierman, Chairperson

Valerie Schultz, Recording Secretary