CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BREITUNG ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING

Wednesday, July 18, 2018 - 7:00pm

Minutes

Call to order at 7:00pm by Michael Day

Roll Call Present: Vice-Chair Michael Day, Trustee Rich Wales, Planning Commission Member Dennis

Zeeb

Absent: Chair Kirk Olson, Secretary Jesse Land

Also Present: Superintendent John Gaudette

Pledge to the Flag

Public Comment:

None

Approval of the previous meeting's minutes from June 4, 2018.

Motion by Wales, Seconded by Zeeb Carried unanimously

Approval of the agenda for the July 18, 2018 meeting

Motion by Zeeb, Seconded by Wales Carried unanimously

Public Hearings

a) Tramontine two-foot height variance for a fence in the front yard

Motion by Wales, Seconded by Zeeb to close the regular meeting and open the public hearing at 7:02pm

Carried unanimously

In Support of Tramontine:

Letter from Adrienne Savord of 621 Eskil Avenue, Kingsford

Lea Tramontine spoke about the history of the house, the prior owner's drug use, the foreclosure of the home, contractors entering the premises uninvited, etc. State police had recommended to them large breed dogs for protection. Tramontine discussed her daughter's work schedule and their future plans for a garage on the side yard. Lot has been surveyed and the potential fence was marked.

In Opposition of Tramontine:

Letter from Amy Zeeb of 612 Eskil Avenue, Kingsford

Other Comments/Correspondence Rec'd:

Letter from co-applicant Lea Tramontine
Letter from co-applicant Taylor Tramontine

Clear vision areas were discussed.

A fence on the corner of Elizabeth and Breen with a 6' height looks like a prison compound.

Tramontine mentioned that landscaping and trees are planned after the fence is put up.

ZBA members asked about the use of the Tramontine's side yard, and they replied that they have future plans for a garage in that area.

Motion by Wales, Seconded by Zeeb to close the public hearing and re-open the regular meeting at 7:21pm.

Carried unanimously

New Business:

a) Tramontine two-foot height variance request for a fence in the front yard

Motion by Wales, Seconded by Zeeb to postpone the Tramontine Variance Request until further notice to avoid a potential conflict of interest.

Carried unanimously

Board Discretionary Time:

Rich Wales will recommend Board of Trustee approval of an alternate.

Dennis Zeeb had questions about conflict of interest provisions, and public perception of board actions.

Correspondence:

Citizen Planner discussion – contact Administrative Assistant Adrienne Savord for more information

Adjournment:

Motion by Wales, Seconded by Zeeb to adjourn the July 18, 2018 regular meeting at 7:47pm

Carried unanimously

Minutes submitted by Gaudette