

**TOWN OF CORINTH
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
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**OCTOBER 4, 2007
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MINUTES**

A meeting of the Corinth Zoning Board of Appeals was held on Thursday October 4, 2007 at 7:00 P.M. and called to order by Chairman William Clarke.

*Present: X Sigrid Koch X Jeffrey Fedor X Chairman Clarke X Glen Tearno
X Philip Giordano X Attorney Pozefsky X Fred Mann Administrator X Linda
Hamm Secretary*

Public: Fred Koch, Arleen Springer, Lacy Skinner, Duane Allen, and Linda Allen

A motion to accept the minutes as written was made by Glen Tearno and seconded by Sigrid Koch.

*A roll call was taken: Y Sigrid Koch Y Jeffrey Fedor Y Bill Clarke Y Glen Tearno
Y Philip Giordano*

5 AYES 0 NAYS

Old Business: Mr. Lacy Skinner is returning for his public hearing to get an area variance as he is unable to meet the set backs to build a second garage. Notices were mailed out and I have received the signed cards.

Chairman Clark asks the board members if there are any questions or concerns. No statements were made. Chairman Clark asks if there is any public input on this hearing? No comments from the public. Glen Tearno makes a motion to approve the 4-foot setback and Philip Giordano seconded it. A roll call vote was taken.

Y Sigrid Koch Y Jeffrey Fedor Y Bill Clarke Y Glen Tearno Y Philip

Giordano

5 AYES

0 NAYS

The secretary stated to Mr. Lacy that his variance was approved, you just need to come to the building department and finish your application in order to begin building. The office will be open tomorrow from 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. and will reopen on Tuesday, as Monday is a holiday for us.

Chairman Clarke asks if there is other old business? Secretary states that Mr. & Mrs. Allen have returned to update the board as to where they are at this time with their mortgage company as far as the possible subdivision will go.

Chairman Clarke asks Mr. Allen how they are coming? Mr. Allen states farther than he anticipated. The Mortgage Company requested a map of the property showing the existing home and where the mobile is and showing it was surveyed since I bought it. I also had to write them a letter to explain why I want to subdivide the property. Mr. Allen stated he had to draw a diagram showing what would happen if I were able to subdivide the property. At this time we are just waiting for an answer from them. Chairman Clarke asks, is this the financial institution you are working with? Mr. Allen stated yes, so until they get back to me, I am at a stand still. Chairman Clarke asks Fred if he is okay with that? Sure as long as they are working on it and keep us informed as to the progress. Mr. Allen states the only time a bank is fast is when it is collecting money. Chairman Clarke states as long as you are making progress on this. Chairman Clarke thanks Mr. & Mrs. Allen for taking the time to come down here and updating the board. Fred states if you hear anything please call the office and you can let Linda know. Mr. Allen stated he would do that.

Attorney Pozefsky states to the Chairman, as I recall, the board tabled this application the last time the Allen's were here. There was a public hearing scheduled and tabled so I would recommend the board continue to table this, so if someone would make that motion, then vote to table it until such time you hear back from Mr. Allen. Sigrid Koch made a motion to table the public hearing for Mr. & Mrs. Allen until we hear back from them. Glen Tearno made a second. A roll call vote was taken.

Y Sigrid Koch Y Jeffrey Fedor Y Bill Clarke Y Glen Tearno Y Philip Giordano

5 AYES

0 NAYS

Sigrid asks Fred how the progress is coming along with Mr. Ramsey? Fred states not too well. The Town Board allowed him to remain open for business with the stipulation that the fence is put up and all vehicles go behind it. So far I have only seen one section of fence put up. I have been there twice and left a card and still have not received a call from him. Sigrid asks if he has the trailer thing he was talking about? Fred states what he does is bring in a dumpster and is able to put in three

crushed cars to be taken away. I feel the Town Board went and grand fathered him in as a business because he had continued to work it even with out a license. Jeff asked if the Town Board had put a time restriction on this. Fred states no, he had just told them that he was going to get the fence up and get the vehicles behind it. Sigrid states, she has one more question for Fred. What are the restrictions for filling in wet lands? Fred states that wet lands belong to the Department of Environmental Conservation. The Town of Corinth has no responsibility. Sigrid asks do you have to get a permit? Do they have to come onto your property to see what it is that will be done? Certainly states Fred, we here at the town can't give anybody permission to fill in wet lands. Chairman Clarke asks Fred if we have maps in the building department showing the designated wet lands? Glen states that the Saratoga County has the GIS, yes said Fred but Linda has the flood and wet land maps showing what you are looking for. Sigrid states that when we were coming into the village today that section at the north, is very dry which feeds into the Hudson. I was wondering how these were affected when people fill them in and what determent are they when they have dried up. When a piece of property is designated wet lands does it remain wet lands even if it dries up? Fred states he believes it does. Sigrid states like the flooding we have from the beaver, how long does it take to determine they are wet lands? Linda states that the DEC stated to her that it is not the fact if it is still filled with water or not, it's the vegetation that remains. Fred states the he was also told that if the Sacandaga Reservoir let go you would only have 30 minutes and it would flood all the way past the railroad tracks. This was stated at an emergency management meeting. They use to use the Emergency Squad Building for their meeting place now it is the new firehouse on Saratoga Avenue.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Glen Tearno and seconded by Philip Giordano. A roll call vote was taken.

Y Sigrid Koch Y Jeffrey Fedor Y Bill Clarke Y Glen Tearno Y Philip Giordano

Meeting closed at 7:23 P.M.

Next Meeting will be November 1, 2007 at 7: 00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted

Chairman William Clarke

