

MINUTES OF THE VALLEY TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
June 20, 2016

7:00 PM

A meeting of the Valley Township Zoning Board of Appeals was held on Monday, June 20th, 2016 at the Valley Township Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

Board Members present: Tony Garofalo, Craig Van Melle, and Christi Foster.
Also present were Brian MacCartny, township building official, and Timothy & Sandra Miller.

Craig VanMelle made a motion to approve the Draft Agenda of 6/20/16 and was seconded by Christi Foster. Motion approved unanimously. (3 yes, 0 no)

Christi Foster made a motion to approve the Draft Minutes of the last ZBA meeting which was held on 5/11/15 and was seconded by Craig VanMelle. Motion approved unanimously. (3 yes, 0 no)

#1 - Miller Variance Request

The Valley Township Zoning Board of Appeals met to conduct a Public Hearing on an application submitted by Timothy & Sandra Miller of 1814 Arrowhead Trail West, Allegan, MI.

A Public Hearing notice was published in the Allegan County News on June 2, 2016. A total of 8 letters were sent to the neighbors within 300 feet of the said property, requesting their concerns and comments related to the request.

The Miller's specific request is to grant a dimensional variance for the south property line to reduce the side setback from 7 feet to 4.5 feet. The home is placed on an angle on the lot, causing the SW corner of the home to be much closer to the lot line. In order to provide an addition to the home, the Miller's request the side set back be reduced from 7 ft to 4.5 ft. Mr. Garofalo began by stating that there were no objections submitted by neighbors and read a letter in support of the variance sent by next-door neighbors, Ted and Barbara Cuson of 1810 Arrowhead Trail. No other questions or concerns were expressed.

Mr. Garofalo made a motion to close the public portion of the meeting, seconded by Craig VanMelle. Motion was approved unanimously. (3 yes, 0 no)

There were no other concerns or questions from the Board. Christi Foster motioned to approve the Variance request for the Millers which was seconded by Tony Garofalo. The motion passed unanimously. (3 yes, 0 no)

#2 – Harry Variance Request

Due to circumstances beyond the ZBA's control, the public hearing for the Anna Harry property variance at 2292 36th Street, Allegan, MI was unable to be heard this evening and is postponed until June 27, 2016 at 7:00 pm. This decision was unanimous.

Tony Garofalo motioned to adjourn the meeting. Craig VanMelle seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: _____
Karen Popp, acting Secretary