Public Hearing Minutes January 3, 2013 Norma Drummer Room, Town Hall

Members Present:	Nicolette O'Toole, Melissa Smith-Poynton, Robert Ricciutti and Susan Liscinsky
Members Absent:	Ted Holly

Others Present: Bob Looker, Town Planner

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Acting Chairwoman, Nicolette O'Toole.

1. An application for a variance to allow a garage addition to be located about 2.4 ft. from the southerly lot line, to allow the driveway to be located closer than five feet from the southerly lot line and to increase lot coverage to about 18% on property known as 99 Colony Road.

Nicolette O'Toole recused herself from hearing this application.

Glenn Palinkas, 99 Colony Road stated that he would like to extend the driveway and add a one car garage to his existing garage. He stated that he would like to do this for safety purposes so that vehicles parking at his house would not have to park on the road. He would also be able to park his own vehicles in the garage. Ms. Smith-Poynton suggested that he build a tandem garage which would not be as close to the property line as the proposed one. He stated that the garage would then stick out and would take up his entire backyard. Mrs. Liscinsky stated that the proposed garage is very close to the adjacent property.

Jack Ready, 101 Colony Road read a prepared statement which he submitted for the record along with pictures of the property. He stated that he is opposed to this application as he does not see any hardship. He felt that it it too close to the property line and he only wants to store his vehicle in there. He felt that this would be non-conforming to the neighborhood and he did not feel that parking on the street is an issue.

Mr. Palinkas stated that there will be approximately 16 to 17 feet between the houses. He stated that he really could not move the driveway to another location on his property.

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MOTION: M. Smith-Poynton/R. Ricciutti to close the public hearing. In Favor: Smith-Poynton, Ricciutti, Liscinsky Motion Carried: 3-0.

Respectfully submitted

Maryanne DeTullio, Recording Secretary

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Mrs. O'Toole recused herself from this application.

The Board reviewed the application and agreed that there was no real hardship.

MOTION: M. Smith-Poynton/S. Liscinsky, to deny the application because there was no hardship.
In favor: Smith-Poynton, Ricciutti, Liscinsky
Motion Carried: 3-0

2. Request to clarify action on proposed parcel #2, 213 West Church Street at meeting of November 1, 2012.

Mike Horbal was present and submitted the map that was used at the presentation at the 11/1/12 meeting. He stated that there were two applications heard; one for Parcel #1, the vacant lot and the other for Parcel #2 which has a house on it. The application for Parcel #1 was approved. The application for the variances for parcel #2 was denied. He stated that the legal notice was published on 11/5/12 and 11/7/12 and that notice was in error and it was corrected and republished on 11/24/12. He stated that at the public hearing they had indicated that they would be willing to move the driveway over but did not think that they had to take the garage down. They did not want to do that because of a lose of privacy on the west portion of the property and there would be some inconvenience with where the doors are located on the left side. He stated that they had thought that the variance were granted with the exception of the one for the driveway. Mrs. O'Toole stated that the variance was not granted and the Board felt that the driveway that exists be removed and a new driveway to the house be created. She stated that the garage could stay but the driveway should go on the other side as the Board felt there was enough room for it there. Mr. Looker stated that the legal notice was published correctly and the appeal period has ended. He stated that an application could be re-submitted. Ms. Smith-Poynton stated that Parcel 2 has a lot more property for the driveway to be in another location. Mrs. O'Toole suggested that they submit a new application for a side yard variance to keep the garage.

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2. Minutes - Public Hearing and Regular Meeting - November 1, 2012

- MOTION: M. Smith-Poynton/N. O'Toole to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing on November 1, 2012. In favor:, O'Toole, Smith-Poynton, Ricciutti, Liscinsky Motion Carried: 4-0
- MOTION: M. Smith-Poynton/N. O'Toole to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on November 1, 2012. In favor: O'Toole, Smith-Poynton, Ricciutti, Liscinsky Motion Carried: 4-0
- MOTION: M. Smith-Poynton/R. Ricciutti to adjourn the meeting. In favor: O'Toole, Smith-Poynton, Ricciutti, Liscinsky Motion Carried: 4-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maryanne DeTullio, Recording Secretary