

FINAL

ZBA Monthly Meeting 5/17/10

Public Hearing

Roll Call:

Betsy Prohonic	present
Norm Wiley	present
Kristina Hallenbeck	present
Jennie Cipperly	present
David Milano	present
Gregg & Linda Gersch, applicants	present
Laura O'Donnell (Neighbor of The Gersch's)	present

Ms. O'Donnell came in to speak in support of The Gersch's application. She said she is glad having her own fence as she has an infant child. Betsy reads aloud The Gersch's written request for a 6 foot fence variance.

The Gersch's say they are undecided what they want to do on the fence. Betsy mentions that another neighbor, named Madeline seemed to be in agreement but could not be present at the public hearing tonight. Betsy described The Gersch's application and they said they were fine with the fence.

Norm said he is still unclear about the fence in that it won't make any difference about keeping the deer out. Jennie agrees. A chain link fence won't keep the deer out, however, a solid wall fence would. Norm suggests having a gate in the back.

Mr. Gersch said there is a gate built right into one of the sections of the fence.

Kristina asks Mrs. Gersch where they are starting the fence? She said it would be convenient to come out in front on one side to allow their dogs access.

Jennie asks if there are any other doors on the back side of the property? Mr. Gersch replies yes.

Public hearing closed at 7:15 p.m.

Betsy Prohonic called the regular monthly meeting at 7:15 PM on May 17, 2010.

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Norm Wiley	present
Kristina Hallenbeck	present
Jennie Cipperly	present
David Milano	present
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Jennie wishes to discuss that the fence variance is not a welcoming nor an open looking plan. In sketch, it looks like a fortress. She would like to see a stepped fence process and would like to consider modifications or concessions to the structure of the fence.

The Gersch's are still deciding on what kind of fence. They want 6 foot along the back edge, behind the house. The Gersch's do not want a 6 foot chain link fence along the property line. The Gersch's application only applies to rear fencing. All other fencing was not included in the application. If they were to place six foot of fencing along the sides of their property, they would need to submit another application with the ZBA as the size will go beyond what is currently allowed.

Norm makes a motion to vote on the application. David seconds. All Board members in favor to approve The Gersch's application.

Betsy said she submitted a referral form to the County and will sign off and give the form to Glenn Hebert.

Norm makes a motion to accept the April minutes. Kristina seconds. All Board members in favor. Minutes as submitted approved and carried.

Norm and Kristina suggests mentioning to the Village Trustees (or whomever is in charge) to Review the Zoning Board Handbook and update it. A clarification on enclosing swimming pools is needed.

Betsy does agree to have an attorney represent the Zoning Board at our meetings.

Unless it was a contentious meeting, David said we should only have the attorney present as it is a paying position.

Betsy said she will either go to the next Village Board meeting which is scheduled for June 2nd or write a letter and talk with the Board members and try to get an answer about the attorney and a zoning handbook revision committee.

This meeting was closed at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Barrington, Secretary