

Hamlin Zoning Board of Appeals *Minutes*
Monday, April 16, 2007
7:30pm

The regular scheduled meeting of the Hamlin Zoning Board of Appeals was held in the Hamlin Town Hall located at 1658 Lake Road, Hamlin and was called to order by Chairman Norman Baase at 7:30pm with the location of the fire exits and AED explained for those present.

Present: Norman Baase, Rocky Ellsworth, Ed Haight, Jerry Hoffman (late) and Klaus Pohl.

Also present: Support Boards Attorney Charlie Welch, Town Board Liaison Mike Marchetti, Building Inspector B.J. Maier, Planning Board member Tom Jensen, Conservation Board member Craig Goodrich, residents Dave Smith, and Tom and Helen Clark.

A motion was made by Klaus Pohl, seconded by Ed Haight to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2007 meeting as recorded. Members polled Baase aye, Ellsworth aye, Haight aye, Pohl aye. Motion carried, minutes approved.

Chairman Norman Baase asked for a moment of silence for the 33 victims that lost their lives today at Virginia Tech.

The Clerk showed Proof of Publication

PUBLIC HEARING

**DAVID SMITH
8018 NEWCO DRIVE**

David Smith was present to seek relief from Town Codes 125-39 for an 8' side setback variance, 125-31C(5) for a 1.5% (400 sq. ft.) Impervious Surface variance and 125-31C(4)(b) for a 10' height variance to construct a 24' x 32' x 25' detached garage located at 8018 Newco Drive. Mr. Smith explained that the garage would be of wood construction. Klaus Pohl questioned the distance from the corner lot line. Mr. Smith stated it would be 7' from the property line. It was noted that the existing pine tree would have to be removed. Chairman Norman Baase asked what the top portion of the garage would be used for. Mr. Smith stated it would just be a look out. No light or anything else.

At this time Chairman Norman Baase opened the Public Hearing and asked if there was anyone present to speak for or against this proposal.

Tom Clark of 8028 Newco Drive was in favor of his neighbor's garage but was concerned about flooding and drainage issues in the area. Flooding occurs in the area

now and he is concerned that will get worse when the garage is built and there is less surface area. He would like the garage to be 15' from the lot line. Mr. Clark stated that he was also concerned if this would affect him building along the lot line in the future. Chairman Norman Baase stated that everything is saturated right now. Using gutters that drain towards the lake were suggested. Attorney Welch stated that the drainage issue is an existing problem and he doesn't feel that the garage will have an effect on the drainage in the area. Pictures of the flooded area were provided. It was determined that water is directed away from the area of the proposed garage. Attorney Welch asked if there were gutters on the house. Mr. Smith stated no there were not. Attorney Welch suggested adding gutters on the house that drain towards the lake. Some discussion took place regarding drainage. It was determined that the garage would not impeded the drainage. Conservation Board member Craig Goodrich stated that the Conservation Board reviewed the site and they recommend adding gutters on the garage that drain towards the lake. This will help to make the area dryer. Using French drains were also discussed. Mr. Smith agreed to discharge the drainage towards the lake. Building Inspector B.J. Maier stated that he would get in touch with the Highway Department to clean out the ditch to help with the drainage.

At this time Chairman Norman Baase closed the Public Hearing.

A motion was made by Ed Haight, seconded by Jerry Hoffman to grant relief to David Smith for an 8' side setback variance, a 1.5% impervious surface variance and a 10' height variance to construct a 24' x 32' x 25' detached garage located at 8018 Newco Drive with the provision that gutters be added to the garage that drain towards the lake to improve drainage in the area. This is a Type II SEQR determination. Members polled Baase aye, Ellsworth aye, Haight aye, Hoffman aye, Pohl aye. Motion carried, variances approved.

DISCUSSION

Chairman Norman Baase discussed a training opportunity approved by the Town Board for the required training. It is a test that is taken and it is free.

Chairman Norman Baase stated that he would like to have new ID cards for all of the members with updated pictures.

Chairman Norman Baase asked Building Inspector B. J. Maier if he had anything for the Board. Mr. Maier stated no everything is pretty quiet.

Chairman Norman Baase asked if Attorney Welch had anything for the Board. Attorney Welch stated nothing at this time.

Town Board Liaison Mike Marchetti reminded everyone about the Zoning Workshop tomorrow night at 6:00pm and the Wind Tower meeting at 7:00pm.

Conservation Board member Craig Goodrich stated that the Tree Give Away is April 28 at 9:00am at Tops. The missing bees were also discussed. Some research is being done to determine if chemicals are affecting the bees' ability to return back to the hive.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ed Haight, seconded by Klaus Pohl to adjourn tonight's meeting barring no further business. Members polled Baase aye, Ellsworth aye, Haight aye, Hoffman aye, Pohl aye. Motion carried, meeting adjourned.

Minutes respectively submitted by:

Heather Norman
Clerk to the Support Boards

The next scheduled meeting of the Hamlin Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on Monday, May 21, 2007 at 7:30pm. Deadline for all fees is Monday, May 7, 2007 at 2:00pm.