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BZA MEETING MINUTES

April 25, 2017

Wabash County Board of Zoning Appeals

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BZA MEMBERS: Joe Vogel, Mark Milam, Dave Schuler, Jerry Younce, and Attorney Larry Thrush

Present: Mark Milam, Dave Schuler, Joe Vogel, Jerry Younce, Attorney Larry Thrush, Plan Director Mike Howard, Secretary Libby Cook, and Charles Reed

President of the Board, Joe Vogel, called the meeting to order. Minutes of the March 28, 2017 meeting were reviewed, Mr. Vogel asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Mark Milam made the motion to approve the minutes, Jerry Younce seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as written.

Mr. Vogel, first on the agenda is Mr. Charles Reed. Mr. Reed is requesting a Special Exception and a Variance to construct a pond on his property in Lagro Township.

Board members review the plans as Mr. Reed explained project.

Mr. Howard went over the applicant information sheet regarding the pond details. Because a portion of this pond is within the Salamonie flowage easement Mr. Reed has been working with the Army Corp of Engineers for approval. An approval tonight will be contingent on receiving final approval by the Army Corp of Engineers.

Mr. Milam, are there any buildings on the property, do you plan to build a home there?

Mr. Reed, there are no buildings. I am not planning on building a house but I am planning to build a pole building which I will be applying for a permit later. I am just not sure of the exact location at this time.

Mr. Vogel, have there been any objections from the neighbors?

Mr. Howard, a couple of the adjoining property owners did come in to the Plan Commission Office with questions, however they did not have any complaints.

Mr. Milam, the drive going in to the property will it go by the pond?

Mr. Reed, the drive will go near the pond.

Mr. Milam, is there a drive in to the property now?

Mr. Reed, yes.

Mr. Vogel, if there are no further questions we will proceed with the vote.

Mr. Howard, the first vote sheet will be for the variance from the setbacks.

Mr. Thrush tallied the votes, the variance was approved.

Mr. Howard, the second vote sheet is for the Special Exception for the pond.

Mr. Thrush tallied the votes, the Special Exception was approved.

Mr. Vogel, the second item on the agenda is the vacancy on the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Mr. Howard, the voting sheets from the Plan Commission Board and the Board of Zoning Appeals have all been returned to the office. We will begin looking at these and making calls to the candidates next week.

Mr. Vogel, the last item on the agenda is the new Ordinance Book.

Mr. Howard, we did remove the section regarding neighbors planting or building in an area that could potentially interfere with the solar collectors. Also, I am continuing to work on the Point System pertaining to residential building in prime agriculture areas.

There being no further business Mr. Vogel asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mark Milam made the motion to adjourn, this was seconded by Jerry Younce.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Libby Cook
Secretary, Wabash Co. Board of Zoning Appeals