

Minutes  
Town of Raymond Zoning Board Of Appeals  
401 Webbs Mills Road  
Raymond, Maine  
August 25, 2003

Attendance: Peter Leavitt, Chairman; Michael Higgins; Matthew Schaefer; Aurel Gagne; Lawrence Murch; Jack Cooper, Code Enforcement Officer; Karen Strout, Secretary.

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Chairman Peter Leavitt.
2. MOTION was made by Aurel Gagne, and seconded by Matthew Schaefer to approve the minutes of the July 28th meeting as amended. Matthew Schaefer's name was incorrectly stated as Michael Schaefer. Vote was unanimous.
3. Public Hearing:

Map 54, Lot 55 LRR2  
56 Crockett Road  
Viola & Frederick Conti  
Request for 10' rather than 20' setback

Discussion: Mrs. Conti explained that they do not have garage now and would like one. They actually would prefer less than a 10 foot setback variance because they feel the angle of the garage would be awkward and esthetically unattractive. Mrs. Conti chose, however, to go forward with the proposal as presented rather than try to prove the four hardship points necessary for a further sideline reduction.

Jack Cooper, the Code Officer, did agree that it was a tight lot.

Mr. Leavitt commented that he had done an informal site walk. He felt the pictures submitted told it all and there would be not "walling in" affect, and that the structure would not preclude anyone's view.

There was public comment. There was, however, one letter from Mr. Golding, an abutter, who had no concerns about the proposed project.

Ms. Conti requested that she would be unable to schedule her builder until Spring, and that if approval were granted, she be given an extension on time frames for beginning and completion of the project.

A MOTION was made by Higgins, seconded by Gagne, to grant the set back reduction as expressed in the application for no less than ten(10) feet, and to allow twelve (12) months to initiate the project and fifteen(15) months for completion. Vote was unanimous.

Jack Cooper, CEO, outlined to the applicant the process needed to start her project.

4. Other Business:

a. Election of Chairman:

MOTION was made by Higgins, seconded by Murch to nominate Aurel Gagne as Chairman of the Board of Appeals. There was no discussion. Vote was unanimous.

b. Chairman Loveitt asked the CEO for status on projects pending with the town.

c. Membership:

Secretary was asked to inquire with the Selectmen on the status of Matthew Schaefer. It was requested that his status be changed from alternate to permanent.

5. Adjournment:

At 7:28 a MOTION was made by Gagne and seconded by Murch to adjourn. Vote was unanimous.

Karen G. Strout  
Recording Secretary

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