

Jamestown Charter Township
Zoning Board of Appeals
April 3, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Vice-Chairman Zomerlei with Van Haitsma opening with prayer.

Board members present: Zomerlei, Brouwer, Van Haitsma. Van Heuvelen absent without notice.

Present other than board: Kirk Sharphorn, Jr., Zoning Administrator. List attached.

Motion by Van Haitsma to approve the agenda, supported by Brouwer, Carried.

Motion by Van Haitsma to approve the minutes of 11-7-17, seconded by Brouwer. Carried.

Request was read in by Vice Chair Zomerlei: Mark Goorhouse is requesting to build a 60' by 100' cattle barn to house farm animals 10 feet from the north property line. The ordinance requires a minimum setback of 75 feet from any property line for animal buildings. Parcel # 70-18-12-400-022.

Zomerlei stated that he was the uncle of Goorhouse and that there would be no financial gain on his part. There was no objection to his remaining on the Board for the hearing.

Goorhouse was not present at the hearing.

Sharphorn explained that Goorhouse could have the size by right. It's Ag. use and the right to farm act comes into play, however he still has to meet zoning which is 75' from any lot line for animals. He wants 10 feet. The property to the north is owned by family and there is a 66' easement to get to property in the back. That's why he wants the 10 feet.

Easement is to dad's property in back and hay fields that goes across his son's property (Goorhouse's brother)

It was stated it is a large building.

Motion by Van Haitsma to approve the request, supported by Brouwer for the following reasons:

- 1] Existence of easement
- 2] Uniqueness of property
- 3] Meets intent of ordinance
- 4] Drain issue prohibits other location

Motion carried.

P. 2. ZBA 4-3-18

Election of officers was held.

Motion to elect Zomerlei as Chairman with Van Haitsma as Vice-chair, seconded. Motion carried.

Motion by Brouwer to adjourn, seconded by Van Haitsma. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Bonnie Oosterink, Recording Sec.
Zoning Board of Appeals

Minutes approved on _____ by _____
Chairman