

Village of Howard City
Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes
May 14, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm. Members present: Thomas, Jr., MacTavish, Bassett, Crater, Parker. Absent: None.

Motion by Thomas seconded by Parker to approve the minutes from January 14, 2019. Motion CARRIED (5-0)

Mr. Falcon discussed with the ZBA that in his reading of the Village ordinances, it appears that the ZBA and Planning Commission should be a combined committee. Mr. Falcon will check with the Village attorney to confirm.

Terry Halterman explained what she is looking to do with the barn on her family farm. She is looking to convert the barn into a wedding reception/special event venue and would like a variance in order to conduct business. Motion by Bassett seconded by MacTavish to present the variance to Council for approval. Motion CARRIED (5-0)

Mr. Falcon presented the ZBA with correspondence he has had with the Hamilton's regarding their property #59-047-426-004-00. The ZBA directed Mr. Falcon to contact the Hamilton's one more time to ask them for a site plan within 30 days. If they present an acceptable site plan, then the ZBA will decide how to proceed with the property.

Mr. Falcon discussed Mr. Lindsey's property #59-047-285-001-00 to re-zone to residential. Mr. Lindsey has been told to provide a site plan and to apply for a variance to run a small business from his property. Motion by Thomas seconded by Bassett to bring this parcel to council for approval to re-zone from commercial to residential. Motion CARRIED (5-0)

Mr. Falcon informed the commission that the re-zoning of Watts Farm is on hold for now as he spoke with the new proprietor. Should the owner follow through with the plans discussed, the Village will leave the zoning as is. If he does not follow through, then the Village will look at re-zoning the property in the future.

Motion by Parker seconded by Thomas to adjourn the meeting at 5:41 pm. Motion CARRIED (5-0)

Melissa Kuzmik
Clerk/Treasurer