

Orion Township Zoning Board of Appeals
Synopsis, Regular Meeting, Monday, January 14, 2013

Acting Chairman Walker called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Don Walker, Dan Durham, Tony Cook (Alternate), Mike Flood, Lucy Koscierzynski

Member Absent: Loren Yaros

Motion carried to postpone the Election of Officers until the February 25, 2013 regular meeting.

Motion carried to approve the December 10, 2012 regular meeting minutes as presented.

No changes were made to the agenda.

AB-2013-01, MLS Signs, Inc./William B. Siewert, 1025 Lapeer Road/Lake Orion Plaza Sign, Sidwell #09-14-226-008: Motion carried to grant with conditions the two variances as requested from Sign Ordinance No. 138: 1)a variance to install a 30.03-square foot LED message center within a ground sign; and, 2)a 14.66-square foot variance, over the allowed 60 square feet in sign area, to increase the size of an existing ground sign to 74.66 square feet.

AB-2013-02, Kenneth R. Latshaw, 717 Brown Road/Checkers Drive-Thru Restaurant Signs, Sidwell #09-33-351-035: Motion carried to grant the four variances as requested from Sign Ordinance No. 138: 1)a 12.27- square foot variance, over the allowed 32 square feet in sign area, in order to install a 44.27-square foot ground sign; 2) a 12-foot variance, from the required 30-foot road right-of-way setback, in order to install a ground sign 18 feet from the road right-of-way; 3)a variance for two additional directional signs, above the allowed four, in order to install a total of six directional signs; and, 4)a variance for one additional wall sign, over the one allowed wall sign, for a total of two wall signs.

AB-2013-03, Robert Gawthrop, Vacant Parcel on Shady Oaks, Sidwell #09-10-254-035: Motion carried to deny the five variances from Zoning Ordinance No. 78, in order to construct a new home: 1)a 31.46-foot rear yard setback variance from the required 35-foot rear yard setback in order to build a home 3'6.5" from the rear lot line; 2)an 8.46-foot front yard setback variance from the required 30-foot front yard setback in order to build a home 21.54 feet from the front property line; 3)a 12.71-foot front yard setback variance from the required 30-foot front yard setback in order to build a balcony on a home 17.29 feet from the front lot line; 4)an 18.58-foot front yard setback variance from the required 30-foot front yard setback in order to build a deck 11.42 feet from the front lot line; and, 5) a 24.125-foot rear yard setback variance from the required 35-foot rear yard setback in order to build a porch on a home 10'10.5" from the rear lot line.

Public Comments: None further.

Communications: Board of Trustees meeting minutes for members' information.

Motion carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 p.m.