

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF ORION ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
SYNOPSIS - REGULAR MEETING - MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2013**

Open Meeting/Roll Call

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

Members Present: Loren Yaros, Dan Durham, Don Walker, Mike Flood, Lucy Koscierzynski

Election of Officers for 2013

Motion carried to re-elect Loren Yaros to serve as Chairman for 2013.

Motion carried to elect Dan Durham to serve as Vice-Chairman for 2013.

Minutes

Motion carried to approve the January 14, 2013 regular meeting minutes as presented.

Agenda Review and Approval

Motion carried to approve the agenda as amended to place Public Comments before the Zoning Board of Appeals Training Session.

ZBA Business

A. AB-2013-04, Robert Gawthrop, Vacant Parcel on Shady Oaks, Sidwell #09-10-254-035

Motion carried to grant the three variances as amended with conditions from Zoning Ordinance No. 78, in order to construct a new home: 1) requesting a 27.46-foot rear yard setback variance from the required 35-foot rear yard setback in order to build a home 7'6.5" from the rear lot line; 2) requesting 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; and, 3) requesting 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.

B. AB-2013-05, Interpretation of Sign Ordinance No. 138, Sign Regulations in the Brown Road Innovation Zone (BIZ) Zoning District

Motion carried regarding Sign Ordinance No. 138, that until an amendment is made and adopted by the Board of Trustees to the BIZ Zoning District, then if the use is allowed in multiple zoning districts, then the most restrictive or smaller-sized sign applicable to that zoning district will be used.

C. 2012 Zoning Board of Appeals Annual Report

Members reviewed the annual report.

Public Comments

Public comments were heard.

D. Zoning Board of Appeals Training Session

Mr. R. Donald Wortman, of Carlisle/Wortman Associates, Inc., (Township Planner), conducted a thorough training session that included all aspects of Zoning Board of Appeals procedures.

Public Comments

Communications

None further.

Adjournment

Motion carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 p.m.