

BOARD OF APPEALS

January 3, 2008

**Please note: Minutes are unofficial until approved by the Board of Appeals at their next regular scheduled meeting.**

The meeting was called to order at New Berlin City Hall, at 7:00 PM.

On roll call, Acting Chairman Jim Klappa, Loohauis, Galke, Bohen, and Valerius. Also present was Inspection Services Manager Robert Sigrist and Lori Schulpius Inspection Services.

Excused: Brian McGrath and John Goetter

Motion by Dennis Bohen to approve the minutes from the Board of Appeals meeting from December 6, 2007, seconded by Brian Loohauis and carried unanimously.

Acting Chairman Klappa reviewed the procedures for taking testimony for the pending petitions with the persons assembled for the meeting, noting that if your case was approved, a building permit is required and it can be picked up at the Building Inspection Department. Mr. Klappa also noted that it takes 4 affirmative votes to approve any variance request.

The first petition called was that of Michael Nowak, Case No.2553. Mr. Klappa read the petition. It was noted that 32 addresses were notified by mail and that publication had been made on two occasions. Mr. Nowak came forward to speak in favor of the petition. Mr. Nowak explained that the main reason for getting a variance is he collects classic cars and would like to put them in the garage for protection. Mr. Nowak also stated that his leach bed is in the rear and would not be able to build the garage in that area. Mr. Nowak has a slab that would support the garage, originally he poured the slab to put the vehicles on and then decided to build a garage. He brought forth some drawings that showed where the leach bed is located he also brought forth five letters from his neighbors in favor of the garage.

There was no one further to speak in favor of the petition, and there was no one to speak in opposition to the petition. The evidence in Case No. 2536 was declared closed.

**The petition considered by the Board was that of Michael Nowak, Case No. 2553. Mr. Loohauis made a motion to approve the variance and Mr. Galke seconded the motion.**

**The motion to approve the variance passed unanimously.**

The second petition called was that of Beth Hiebert, Case No.2555. Mr. Klappa read the petition. It was noted that 78` addresses were notified by mail and that publication had been made on two occasions. Mr. James Kucek from Buck Construction located at 85 N Greenfield Ave who is the builder came forward to speak in favor of the petition. Mr. Kucek explained the main reason for getting a variance is that the owner's mother has medical needs and cannot do stairs. Mr. Kucek also explained that this is the only place on the lot to put the addition and also that the petitioner needs an attached garage due to her medical needs.

There was 1 additional person to speak in favor of the petition.  
Jim Lehmancheck of 1704 S Sunny Slope Rd in favor of the variance.

There was also one neighbor who came forward to speak in opposition because they were not sure what was being built. Joe & Jean Crowduski 13900 W Prospect Dr came forward and they did not see the plans to know what was being built and would like to see a smaller addition.  
Case No. 2555 was declared closed.

**The petition considered by the Board was that of Beth Hiebert, Case No. 2555. Mr. Galke made a motion to approve the request and Mr. Bohen seconded the motion.**

**The motion to approve the variance passed was unanimous 5 to 0.**

There being no further matters to be discussed in front of the Board of Appeals, the said meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Lori Schulpius, Inspection  
Clerk/Typist