

Minutes

BOARD OF APPEALS

February 3rd, 2000

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

On roll call, Chairman Dorlack, Messrs. Goetter, McGrath, Liljestrand, and, Gaulke. Also present was Chief Inspector Howard Gygax.

Chairman Dorlack 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. Dorlack also noted that it takes 4 affirmative votes to approve any variance request.

The first petition called was that of John Halusan, Case No. 2375. Mr. Dorlack read the petition. It was noted that nineteen people were notified by mail and that publication had been made on two occasions. Elizabeth Halusan of 3035 S 35th Street, Milwaukee, came forward to speak in favor of the petition. Ms Halusan stated that she and her husband own the property at 12880 Greenbriar Lane and the house is currently under construction and will be completed in March of this year. She stated that there are 4 patio doors already installed that will lead to nowhere if the deck is not approved. Ms. Halusan stated that the proposed deck would wrap around the house and provide extra living space for the family. She said that the drop off from the patio doors down to the ground is about 15 feet, and that without the deck, there would be a safety issue with the drop off. Ms Halusan said that the property slopes down to the back of the yard, and that this severe slope dictates the need for the deck. It was noted that there is a finished walk-out basement and that part of the proposed deck would be constructed over this space. She stated that their lot, as well as the other adjoining lots, are all pie shaped. Ms Halusan said that all of the back yards of the properties meet in the center of this 'pie'. It was noted that because the proposed deck is so high, it has to meet the same setbacks as the house. It was further noted that more than half of the deck would be in the side yard, and this part of the deck meets the setback requirement.

There was no one further to speak in favor of the petition, and there was no one to speak in opposition to the petition. Case No. 2375 was declared closed.

At this point the open portion of the meeting was declared closed, and the Board then moved into the closed session to make the following decision.

The first petition considered by the Board was that of John Halusan, Case No. 2375.

Mr. McGrath made a motion to grant the petition, and, Mr. Goetter seconded the motion.

Mr. McGrath, Mr. Goetter, Mr. Liljestrand, Mr. Dorlack, and Mr. Galke voted in favor of granting the petition. The petition was passed unanimously.

There being no further matters to be discussed in front of the Board of Appeals, the said meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

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Joseph J. Dorlack, Chairman