

June 5, 2018

Board of Zoning Appeals  
City of Bridgeport  
County of Harrison  
State of West Virginia

The Bridgeport Board of Zoning Appeals conducted a public hearing Tuesday June 5, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. in Bridgeport City Hall, 515 West Main Street, with the following members attending: Chairman Meredith McCarthy, Vice Chairman Richard Forren, Members Ryan Haws, and Sam Spatafore. Member Rod Smallridge was absent.

Also attending were Dennis Shoemaker, 27 Overlook Drive, and Tyler Suzanne Grogg, Secretary to the Board.

At 6:03 p.m. Chairman McCarthy called the meeting to order and everyone wishing to speak was sworn in.

**1. PUBLIC HEARING: Consider the request of Dennis Shoemaker, 27 Overlook Drive, for a zoning variance to construct a shingled roof over the existing porch.**

- Mr. Dennis Shoemaker stated that his house has been assessed to be a foster care home and per the foster care regulations any porch over 18 inches must have a railing. He decided to reconstruct the porch and was advised to contact Ms. Charlotte Shaffer of Harrison County regarding a permit. Ms. Shaffer issued him a permit. When he began construction he was stopped by a code official from Bridgeport due to the work being within City limits. He is now requesting a two foot variance to construct a shingled roof over the existing porch. He did mention only a portion of the porch will need the variance due to how the house sits on the lot.
- Member Sam Spatafore asked Mr. Dennis Shoemaker if the two foot variance included the gutter and overhang. Mr. Dennis Shoemaker stated it includes the overhang but would need another four inches for the gutter. Mr. Dennis Shoemaker would then need a three foot variance to construct a shingled roof over the existing porch.
- Vice Chairman Richard Forren asked Mr. Dennis Shoemaker if approved what his time limit would be. Mr. Dennis Shoemaker stated two weeks due to the foster care regulations not permitting pending construction projects.
- Vice Chairman Richard Forren mentioned with the current design of the porch and railing, adding a roof would make the project look finished. Member Ryan Haws stated that it is a unique situation because it's not within or out of character for the neighborhood.
- Member Sam Spatafore made a motion to approve the variance of three feet to construct a shingled roof over the existing porch within a two month time line. Motion was seconded by Member Ryan Haws, and unanimously approved.

## 2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the April 3, 2018 Board of Zoning Appeals meeting were unanimously approved as presented on a motion by Vice Chairman Richard Forren, seconded by Member Ryan Haws.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 pm on a motion by Member Sam Spatafore, seconded by Member Ryan Haws, and was unanimously approved.

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Meredith McCarthy, Chairman

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Date