

June 2, 2015

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 2, 2015, at 6:01 p.m. in Bridgeport City Hall, 515 West Main Street, with the following members attending: Chairman Sam Spatafore, Vice Chairman Meredith McCarthy, Members Joe Coughlin, Ryan Haws, and Rod Smallridge.

Also attending were Connie Hamilton, Secretary to the Board; Sara Carder, Office Administrator; appellants Tom and Donna Arehart, 305 Ross Street; appellants Gilford and Jamie Haines, 401 Willis Avenue; Matt and Robynn Poling, 324 Jones Avenue; and Corey and Traci Atha, 323 Dunkin Avenue.

At 6:01 p.m. Chairman Sam Spatafore called the meeting to order and everyone wishing to speak was sworn in.

The purpose of this hearing was to consider the following two requests:

1. Consider the request of Gilford and Jamie Haines, 401 Willis Avenue, for a nine foot variance. They are requesting approval to construct a 12' x 32' addition to their home. This addition would place the house seven feet off of their property line along Park Street.
2. Consider the request of Thomas and Donna Arehart, 305 Ross Street, to place a six foot vinyl fence from the corner of their house to the street.

The first order of business was to hear Gilford and Jamie Haines' request. Mr. Haines said the addition would look like the existing structure and only windows will be installed.

After a brief discussion, Chairman Sam Spatafore motioned to approve the request as stated for an addition to the home, with the following conditions:

- a. No ingress or egress;
- b. Overhang must be flush to building, with the exception of the gutter;
- c. Construction must match existing work,
- d. The project must be completed within twelve (12) months. If not completed within the time frame, the variance must be applied for again.

Motion was seconded by Member Joe Coughlin and was unanimously approved.

The next order of business was Tom and Donna Arehart's request of a variance in order to install a six foot fence instead of the four foot allowed by City Code.

The Board heard testimonies from Tom and Donna Arehart, Matt Poling, and Traci Atha. After a brief discussion, Member Haws motioned to approve the request for a fence to be installed with the following conditions:

- a. A six foot fence can only go to the property line,
- b. The project must be completed within six months. If not completed within the time frame, the variance must be applied for again.

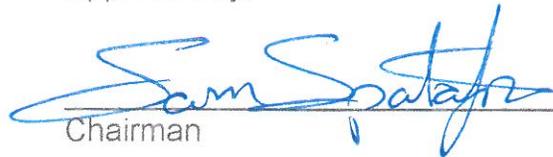
Motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Meredith McCarthy and was unanimously approved.

Certified letters were mailed to the abutting property owners advising them of the Arehart's and Haines' requests and a legal ad was published as required by State Law. The Board also considered written comments from the Director of Community Development Randy Spellman, Fire Chief Robert Securo, Director of Engineering and

Utilities H. Tom Brown, P.E., and Director of Public Safety John Walker, each stating they had no opposition to the variances being granted. The City of Bridgeport received no phone calls or written opposition to the variance requests.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m. on a motion by Vice Chairman Meredith McCarthy, seconded by Chairman Sam Spatafore, and was unanimously approved.

Approved by:



Chairman



Date

Prepared by:



Secretary to the Board