

**CITY OF WHITEHALL
BOARD OF ZONING AND BUILDING APPEALS
JULY 10TH, 2017**

The City of Whitehall Board of Zoning and Building Appeals meeting of July 10th, 2017 was called to order by Chairman Armes at 7:00 PM.

Mr. Arends asked for a roll call.

Armes-Present

Weatherby-Absent

Arends-Present

Bailey-Present

Elmore-Present

All members were present except for Mr. Weatherby.

Ms. Bailey motioned to excuse Mr. Weatherby and Mrs. Elmore seconded. Upon a vote Mr. Weatherby was excused.

Chairman Armes asked for a motion to approve the minutes from June 12, 2017 meeting. Ms. Bailey motioned and Vice-Chairman Arends seconded.

Voting went as follows: Armes-Abstain, Arends-Yes, Bailey-Yes, Elmore-Yes.

June minutes were approved.

Chairman Armes announced Case BA-17-05-Wingler Construction is seeking a Driveway Setback Variance, 903.13 on property located at 590 Collingwood Ave. and owned by John & Joyce Bamer.

Mrs. Joyce Bamer and Don Wingler from Wingler Construction were on hand to present the case. Mr. Wingler said they are applying for a variance because Mr. Bamer is in a wheelchair. He's confined to the wheelchair and they need more room in the driveway to lift him into the van.

Ms. Elmore asked if the property line was being represented by the yellow tape on the picture presented in the application packet.

Mr. Wingler said it was.

Mrs. Bamer noted that her husband has ALS and he will never get out of the wheelchair. The process of loading him into the van with the lift will be so much easier if they are allowed to have the extra width on the driveway.

Ms. Bailey asked Mr. Wingler if they have had a survey. Mr. Wingler said no but they dug up the property stakes.

Ms. Bailey asked how far off the property line would the new proposed driveway be located. Mr. Wingler said it would be right on the property line.

Code 903.13 reads driveways need to be 4 ft. from the property line.

Ms. Bailey asked if the new driveway would line up with the sidewalk. Mr. Wingler said it will stick out somewhat.

Mr. Arends read the Mike Hulsey's staff report.

Ms. Elmore asked for a recess. Mr. Armes said they were not allowed to have a recess because the meeting is a public hearing.

Wingler noted that they would love to start this project as soon as possible.

Vice Chairman Arends asked for a motion to approve case BA-17-05.

Mr. Arends motioned to approve case BA-17.05 provided Mike Hulsey, Whitehall's Chief Building Official, visit the property to make sure the stakes that are presented in the application packet are legitimate.

Ms. Elmore wanted to amend the motion to include Mr. & Mrs. Bamer's hardship.

Ms. Bailey seconded the amended motion.

Voting was unanimous. Case BA-17-05 was approved.

Chairman Armes asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Arends motioned and Ms. Bailey seconded.

Roll was called and meeting was adjourned at 7:16 pm

APPROVED: _____, 2017

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER ARMES, CHAIRMAN

Teresa Netotian, Clerk