

**LEROY TOWNSHIP  
8156 4 Mile Road  
East Leroy, Michigan 49051**

**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING MINUTES  
March 11, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER-**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Arbogast at 6:31pm.

**ROLL CALL-**

Members present included Travis Arbogast, Michael VanHouten, Randy Lang and Alternate Ben Belote.

Others present: Zoning Administrator Rob Behnke, Mr. Michael Wespinter and Mr. Josh Wise.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES-**

A motion was made by Mike VanHouten to approve the January 15, 2020 meeting minutes as presented, supported by Randy Lang. **Motion carried with unanimous approval.**

**WISE GENERAL PUBLIC HEARING-**

Chairperson Arbogast called the Public Hearing to order at 6:33pm.

**Presentation:**

Mr. Josh Wise, owner of the property at 737 K Drive S, indicated that he was seeking a variance (relief) for the front yard setback requirement of 100 feet from the road right of way for construction of an addition and attached garage to the current house. Zoning Administrator Behnke explained why there was a need for variance (due to the location of the house which is grandfathered clausued from the current front yard setback in an AA District).

**BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS/COMMENTS-**

There were no questions or comments.

**PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS-**

Mr. Michael Wespinter, 539 K Drive South, spoke in favor of granting the variance. The proposed work will be a benefit to the property.

It was also noted that Michael Beach, 843 K Drive South, sent an email to the Township indicating his support for granting of the variance.

**CLOSURE OF PUBLIC HEARING:**

Chairperson Arbogast closed the Public Hearing at 6:34pm.

**NEW BUSINESS-**

A motion was made by Mike VanHouten to **approve** the variance requested by Mr. Wise as requested because the relief does meet the requirements, as outlined under Article XXVI, Sec. 38-804 of the Leroy Township Zoning Ordinance, for the granting of such variance, supported by Randy Lang.

**A Roll Call vote was taken on the motion:**

**VanHouten- YES**

**Lang- YES**

**Arbogast- YES**

**Motion carried. Variance approved.**

**ZBA MEMBER QUESTIONS/COMMENTS-**

None.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHAIR-**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT-**

A motion was made by Mike VanHouten to adjourn the meeting at 6:37pm, supported by Randy Lang. **Motion carried with unanimous support.** Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

ROB BEHNKE  
Acting Secretary