



**TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY**  
**Board of Zoning and Appeals**  
**August 03, 2020 5:30 PM**  
**Minutes**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairwoman Sleeper called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT**

Chairwoman Melody Sleeper  
Committee Member Justin Bell  
Committee Member Vivian Foston  
Committee Member Dwyot Thornton

**ABSENT**

Committee Member Drew Johnson

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Committee Member Thornton, seconded by Committee Member Foston, to approve the agenda. All approved by voice vote.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Board of Zoning and Appeals Meeting Minutes January 6, 2020

A motion was made by Committee Member Bell, seconded by Committee Member Thornton, to approve the January 6, 2020 meeting minutes. All approved by voice vote.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

2. Regal Homes Appeal Request: 180 Day Rule of Permit Expiration From Zoning Ordinance and Adopted 2012 IRC

Mr. Steven Riegle stated he purchased in December 2017 at the same time they purchased the Turner Street development. Further, they have now finished the Turner Street development and would like to start on Bell Street; however, it would be a significant cost to repermit this project and he would like to ask the committee to reinstate the prior permit without having to pay the fee again. City Planner Mr. Rick Gregory stated the zoning ordinance stated financial returns should not be grounds for a variance and reviewed some verbiage from the code. Chairwoman Sleeper questioned if there is verbiage for requesting an extension. Mr. Jason McClain commented stating the code states you can request an extension and he further reviewed the verbiage in the code. Mr. Riegle stated they still do not have taps that he has paid for and contacted both Clint (Biggers) and Kevin (Lee) in regard to getting them installed. City Attorney Jennifer Noe stated the variance has to state the reason and financial is not a basis for a variance. Committee Member Thornton questioned when timeframe to start and finish. Mr. Riegle responded he would like to get started within thirty (30) days, but he can't start until the taps are installed. Further, it will take a year to complete. Ms. Noe reviewed the code verbiage and stated the board has never waived fees. After much discussion regarding the timeframe the committee has to make a decision, deferring this until next month, and following the code a motion was made by Committee Member Bell, seconded by Committee Member Thornton, to deny the appeal for expiration of the permit. Voting Yea: Chairwoman Sleeper, Committee

Member Bell, Committee Member Foston. Voting Nay: Committee Member Thornton.

**OTHER**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Committee Member Bell, seconded by Committee Member Thornton, to adjourn. All approved by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

  
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CHAIRWOMAN MELODY SLEEPER

  
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CITY RECORDER KELLIE REED, CMFO, GMC  
