

Petersburg Borough

Meeting Agenda Planning Commission Regular Meeting

Tuesday, August 10, 2021 12:00 PM Assembly Chambers

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Acceptance of Agenda
- 4. Approval of Minutes
 - Meeting Minutes from June 8th, 2021.

5. Public Comments

Public comments are welcome on matters not appearing on the Public Hearing or Consent Calendar but are within the Borough's jurisdiction. Persons wishing to speak should come forward and state their name and address. Issues raised may be referred to staff and, if action by the Commission is needed, may be scheduled for a future meeting.

6. Consent Calendar

1. Acceptance and scheduling of an application from Dave Ohmer for a conditional use permit for a rock quarry/borrow operation at 521 Mitkof Hwy (PID: 01-114-500).

7. Public Hearing Items

- 1. Consideration of an application from Kathi Riemer for a variance from the rear and side yard setback requirements to allow for two sheds with 1' of the property lines at 313 Cornelius Rd. (PID: 01-031-584).
- Consideration of an application from Dave Ohmer for a variance from the front yard setback requirement to allow for construction of a single-family residence within 15' of the property line at 613 Sandy Beach Rd. (PID: 01-004-010).
- 3. Consideration of an application from James & Sonja Whitethorn for a variance from the side yard setback requirement to allow for an existing single-family residence within 6.3' of the property line at 101 Mill Rd. (PID: 01-031-502).

8. Non-Agenda Items

- 1. Commissioner Comments
- 2. Staff Comments

3. The next regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday, September 14th, 2021 at 12:00pm.

9. Adjournment



Petersburg Borough

12 South Nordic Drive Petersburg, AK 99833

Meeting Minutes Planning Commission Regular Meeting

Tuesday, June 08, 2021 12:00 PM Via Zoom

The meeting is open to the public. To attend via **ZOOM**, please contact Karen Malcom at 907-772-4430.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:00PM

2. Roll Call

PRESENT

Commission Chair Chris Fry Commission Secretary Sally Dwyer Commissioner Nancy Strand Commissioner Jim Floyd

ABSENT

Commission Vice-Chair Richard Burke Commissioner Heather O'Neil

3. Acceptance of Agenda

The agenda was approved as presented.

Motion made by Commission Secretary Dwyer, Seconded by Commissioner Floyd. Voting Yea: Commission Chair Fry, Commission Secretary Dwyer, Commissioner Strand, Commissioner Floyd

4. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from 5/11/2021 meeting were approved as submitted.

Motion made by Commission Secretary Dwyer, Seconded by Commissioner Floyd. Voting Yea: Commission Chair Fry, Commission Secretary Dwyer, Commissioner Strand, Commissioner Floyd

1. Minutes of the Planning Commission of May 11, 2021.

5. Public Comments

None

6. Consent Calendar

None

7. Public Hearing Items

A. Consideration of an application from Mike Schwartz for a conditional use permit for a home occupation (hair salon) at 313 Sandy Beach Rd (PID: 01-003-119).

Kay Schwartz attended. Ms. Schwartz stated that the CUP did not require new construction at the home. There may be some plumbing work needed and they would pull a plumbing permit.

The Schwartz CUP was approved unanimously.

Motion made by Commission Secretary Dwyer, Seconded by Commissioner Strand. Voting Yea: Commission Chair Fry, Commission Secretary Dwyer, Commissioner Strand, Commissioner Floyd

B. Review of applications from Ryan Littleton and John & Rebecca Fortna and David & Marlene Cushing requesting to purchase borough-owned property located at 306 Sandy Beach Rd. (PID: 01-003-521).

John Fortna, Leo Luczak, Joyce Bergmann attended.

Leo Luczak spoke on behalf of the Fortna's and Cushing's, giving a history of property on Sandy Beach Road. Mr. Luczak noted that there is a large drainage on the lot making it difficult to develop and likely requiring a Army Corps of Engineers permit.

Discussion.

The applications to purchase 306 Sandy Beach Road were approved for recommendation to the Assembly.

Motion made by Commissioner Floyd, Seconded by Commission Secretary Dwyer. Voting Yea: Commission Chair Fry, Commission Secretary Dwyer, Commissioner Strand, Commissioner Floyd

C. Review of an application from AP&T Wireless requesting a 20' wide utility easement at 419 Sandy Beach Rd. (PID: 01-003-139).

Jason Custer, Ryan Wopschall and Brent Akers attended on behalf of AP&T. Mr. Custer read a statement outlining the scope of the project into the record.

The application from AP&T was approved for recommendation to the Assembly.

Motion made by Commissioner Floyd, Seconded by Commission Secretary Dwyer. Voting Yea: Commission Chair Fry, Commission Secretary Dwyer, Commissioner Strand, Commissioner Floyd

8. Non-Agenda Items

1. Commissioner Comments

None

2. Staff Comments

Director Cabrera spoke in regards to the in-person meetings issue. There will need to be four Commissioners in attendance in the Assembly Chambers to have a meeting, although there may not be any agenda items for the next meeting.

Members Fry, Dwyer, Strand and Floyd all stated they would be available for the July meeting.

3. The next regularly scheduled meeting is July 13, 2021 at 12:00pm via Zoom

9. Adjournment

Motion made by Commissioner Floyd, Seconded by Commission Secretary Dwyer. Voting Yea: Commission Chair Fry, Commission Secretary Dwyer, Commissioner Strand, Commissioner Floyd

| Chair Chris Fry | | - |
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The meeting was adjourned at 12:30PM.

Item 61.



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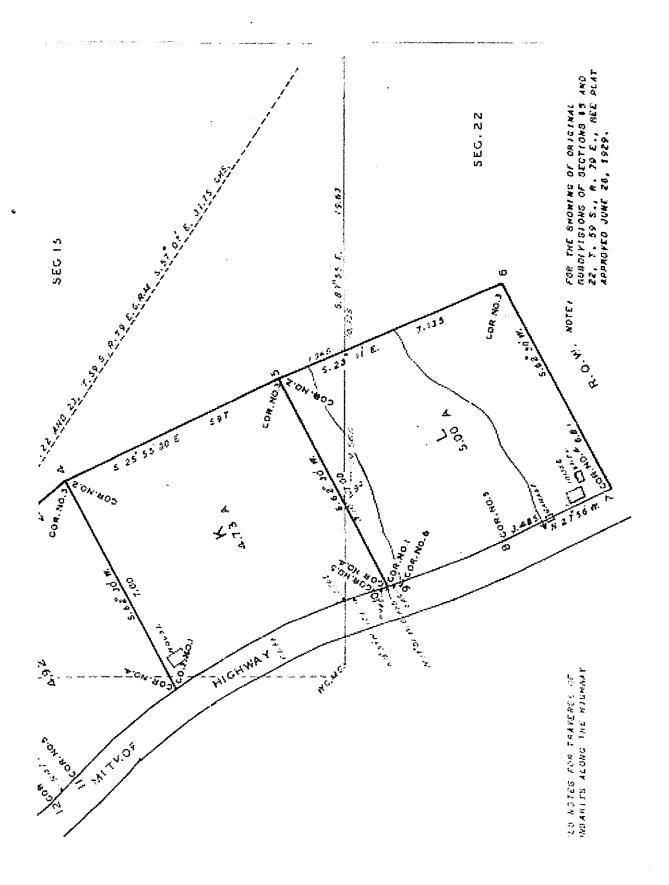
CODE TO: **110.000.404110** BASE FEE: \$50.00

| CONDITIONAL USE APPLICATION | | PUBLIC NOTI | CE FEE: | \$70.00 | |
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| PETERSBURG BORD | | | | TOTAL: | \$120.00 |
| DATE RECEIVED: | | | | CHECK NO. or CC: # 1575 | |
| APPLICANT/AGENT | | | | THAN A | PPLICANT/AGENT) |
| NAME Dave N. Ohmer | | NAME Dave N | l. Ohmer | | |
| MAILING ADDRESS P.O. Box 13 | | MAILING ADDR P.O.Box 13 | ESS | | |
| CITY/STATE/ZIP Petersburg, AK 99833 CITY/STATE/ZIP Petersburg AK 99833 | | | | | |
| PHONE 907 518 0313 | | PHONE 907 518 031 | 3 | | |
| EMAIL | | EMAIL | | | |
| PROPERTY INFORMATION | | | | | |
| PHYSICAL ADDRESS or LEGAL DESCRI | PTION: | | | | |
| Lot K: U.S. Survey 2463 S15 T | 59S R79E | | | | |
| PARCEL ID: 0111450 | | ZONE: RR | | OVERLA | AY: |
| CURRENT USE OF PROPERTY: Dormant rock quarry currently used for storage containers LOT SIZE: 4.73 acre | | | E: 4.73 acres | | |
| PROPOSED USE OF PROPERTY (IF DIF | FERENT): | | | | |
| Reactivate removal of rock from | n the site for furthe | r development | of property. | | |
| SEPTIC SYSTEM: Is there a septic system? [| | YES NO | Э | | |
| SYATER SOURCE: Municipal C | istern/Roof Collection | Well | | | |
| LEGAL ACCESS TO LOT(S) (Street Nam Butterfly Lane egress from Mitkof High | ie): hway at approximately | 5.3 mile permitte | ed in the 1960's |). | |
| TYPE OF APPLICATION | | | | | |
| Home Occupation. Please include | copy of current Sales 1 | Tax Registration A | pplication | | |
| Residential Use in Industrial Distric | ct | | | | |
| Other: Removal of insitu rock my means of a backho | oe and hydraulic driven hammer and/ | or rubber tired front end load | er and highway rated tru | cks. | |
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| Submittals | | | | | |
| Please submit site plan. For home occupation permits, please include a site plan showing location and size of area to | | | | | |
| be used for the home occupation (including storage). and location and size of area available for off-street parking. | | | | | |
| SIGNATURE(S): | | | | | |
| I hereby affirm all of the information submitted with this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I | | | | | |
| also affirm that I am the true and legal property owner or authorized agent thereof for the property subject herein. | | | | | |
| Applicant(s): Date: 6/14/01 | | | 14/21 | | |
| Owner(s): Date: Date: | | | 14/01 | | |
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| 19.72 CONDITIONAL USE APPLICATION Dave N. Ohmer Applicant(s): |
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| P.O.Box 13 Address or PID: |
| Project Summary: The existing quarry site located on Lot K was developed in the 1960's. Rock removal has not occurred at this site for the past two decades. It is now my intention to remove additional rock from the site for development of properties within the Borough and to improve properties owned by me. |
| Conditions of approval as required in Petersburg Municipal Code 19.72.020: |
| (Note that all regulations and requirements of Title 19 must be satisfied in order to qualify for a conditional use permit.) |
| 1. The commission shall consider the suitability of the property, the character of the surrounding property and the economic and aesthetic effects of the proposed use upon the property and the neighboring property. The use will be permitted if it is in harmony with the general purpose and intent of this title and where the use will be in keeping with the uses generally authorized for the zone in which the use is to take place. The potts of the road, completly concealed from user by neighbors or people druing by. Fural residential zoning specifically states that a permited conditional use is to concealed and a permited conditional use is to blasting plane. Rock Query/borrow operations. No blasting plane. |
| 2. Exits and entrances and off-street parking for the conditional use shall be located to prevent traffic nazards or congestion on public streets. An existing road into the property paravides on easy ingress/egress with over looyre views in both directors for traffic |
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3. In addition to the conditions of subsections (A) and (B) of this section, schools, governmental and civic buildings and other public uses shall meet the following condition: The proposed location of the use and size and character of the site shall facilitate maximum benefit and service to the public.

use of this rock will be beieffal to my own development plans as well as local friends who are helding rock for their projects.



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PETERSBURG BOROUGH VARIANCE APPLICATION

| CODE TO: | 110.000.404110 |
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| BASE FEE: | \$100.00 |
| PUBLIC NOTICE FEE: | \$70.00 |
| TOTAL: | \$170.00 |

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| DATE RECEIVED: | RECEIVED BY: | CHECK NO. or CC: # 1009 | | | |
| APPLICANT/AGENT | | LEGAL OWNER (IF DIFFERENT THAN APPLICANT/AGENT) | | | |
| NAME Kathi Riemer | 777 | NAME | | | |
| MAILING ADDRESS P.O. Box 1752 | TABLE WARMS STANLE SOC. AL. A. | MAILING ADDRESS | | | |
| CITY/STATE/ZIP | | CITY/STATE/ZIP | | | |
| Petersburg, AK 99833 | - PAPE-MANA - | | | | |
| PHONE 907-518-1328 | | PHONE | | | |
| EMAIL | | EMAIL | EMAIL | | |
| riemerk@hotmail.com | | | | | |
| PROPERTY INFORMATION | | | | | |
| PHYSICAL ADDRESS or LEGAL DES | SCRIPTION: | | | The state of the s | |
| Lot 15A Cor relias | Road | | | | |
| PARCEL ID: | | ZONE: SF | | OVERLAY: | |
| CURRENT USE OF PROPERTY: | | Į. | | LOT SIZE: | |
| Home/Business | | | | 13950 | |
| PROPOSED USE OF PROPERTY (IF | DIFFERENT): | | | | |
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| SEPTIC SYSTEM: Is there a septic system on the property? YES NO | | | | | |
| What is current or planned system? Municipal DEC-approved on-site system | | | | | |
| WATER SOURCE: Municipal | Cistern/Roof Collectio | n 🔲 Well | | | |
| LEGAL ACCESS TO LOT(S) (Street | Name): | | | | |
| Cornelius | | | | | |
| TYPE OF VARIANCE REQUESTED | | | 1.14 | | |
| ✓ Yard Setback | | | | | |
| Maximum Lot Coverage | | | | | |
| Building Height | | | | | |
| Fence Height | | | | | |
| Other: | | | | ***** | |
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| SUBMITTALS: | | | | | |
| Please include a site plan of your | proposed development. | | | | |
| SIGNATURE(S): | | | | | |
| I hereby affirm all of the informat | tion submitted with this a | application is true and | d correct to | the best of my knowledge. I | |
| also affirm that I am the true and | | authorized agent the | reof for the | property subject herein. | |
| Applicant(s): KGCTAC | Riems | | Date:_ | 6-1-21 | |
| Owner(s): | | | Date:_ | | |
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19.80 VARIANCE APPLICATION

(SUBMIT WITH SITE PLAN)

Kathi Riemer

| Applicant(s): Nath Hemer | | ., |
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| Address or PID: Lot 15A - (| ier relius | |
| Conditions of approval as require conditions must be satisfied in or | | 19.80.050: (<u>Note that all three</u> |
| 1. What is the exceptional physica | l circumstance or condition affec | cting this property? |
| Substandard Lot Area | ✓ Easements/ROW | Stream/Drainage |
| Steep/Unstable Slope | Odd Lot Shape | ✓ Nonconforming Structure |
| OTHER (Please Specify): Changes to zoning may be the | ne reason for current structu | ures being in place. |
| 2. Explain the exceptional physical intended use or development which Prior to 1985, Cornelius R | th do not apply generally to the load was zoned commercia | other properties in the same zone. II. In 1985, the zoning changed |
| to residential, with existing st In 2021, I purchased the p the two sheds didn't meet the | ructures being grandfathere property with existing buildir e setback requirements bec prnelius, you will understan wellings, single family dwel | ed in to the new zoning plan. ngs in place. I was unaware that ause the property was zoned id why I was mistaken. It is a |

3. Explain how the strict application of there provisions of this title would result in practical difficulties or unnecessary pecuniary hardships.

If you do not allow a variance for these structures they will have to be torn down or moved. This presents a fiscal hardship.

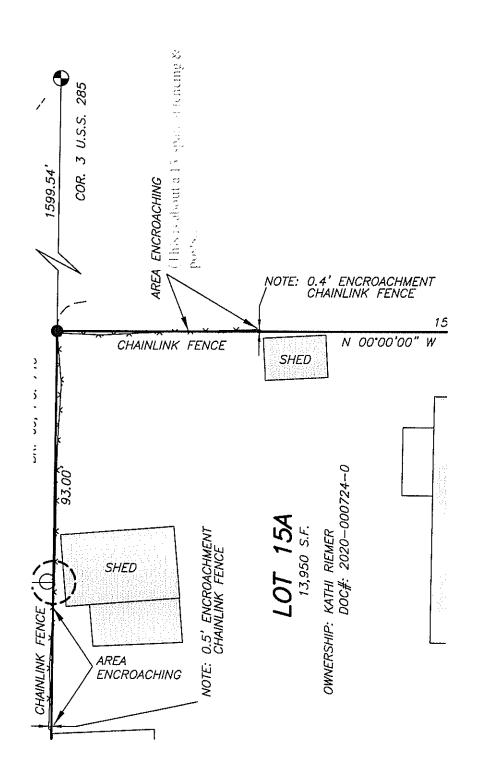
In addition, since neither of the structures are greater than 200 square feet, a building permit was not required so while there is no record of these buildings being in place prior to 1985, it is likely they were because they were built so close to the property line.

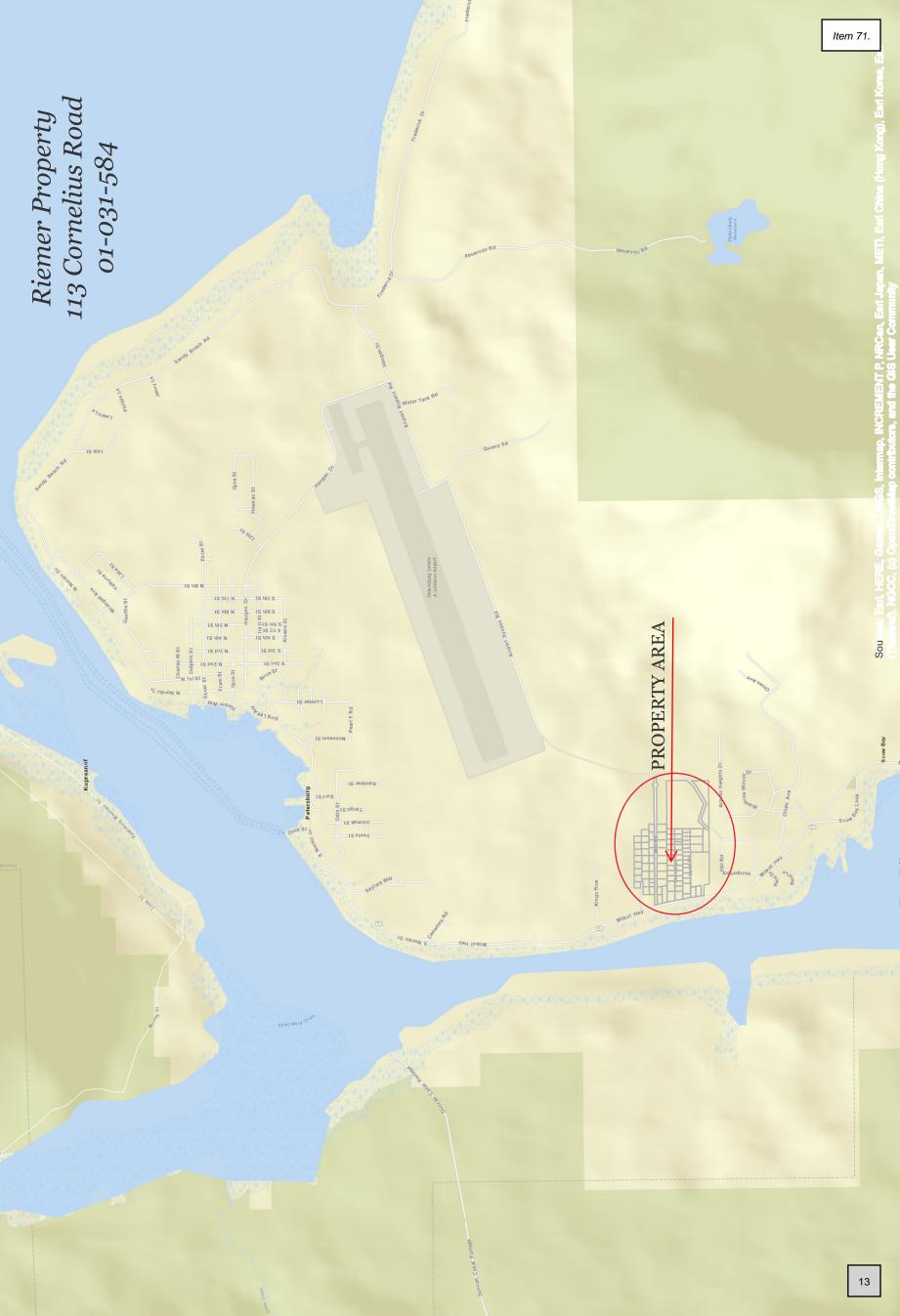
4. State why the granting of the variance will not result in material damage or hardship or prejudice to other properties in the vicinity nor be detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare.

These structures have been in place for decades and have not caused an unsafe situation to occur yet. The buildings are small and enclosed within a chain link fence that surrounds three sides of the property. The buildings have a decent appearance, so are not unsightly to neighbors. Currently there are no buildings on the 2 lots that adjoin

the the sides of the property that the buildings are on.

The Weaver lot, which is adjacent to our property on one side, has buildings set less than 5 feet away from the property line and they are allowed to stay because they were put in place before 1885. We purchased this property from the Weavers and it's highly likely that my buildings were set in place in the 1980's as well.







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| PROPERTY INFORMATION | No. of the last of | How the same | | | | |
| PHYSICAL ADDRESS or LEGAL DES | SCRIPTION: | | | | | |
| 613 Sand. | 1 Beach A | bad | | | | |
| PARCEL ID: 01004010 | building a | ZONE: | e Family 0 | VERLAY: | × I | |
| CURRENT USE OF PROPERTY: | building a | new h | ome Lo | T SIZE: | 100×105 | |
| PROPOSED USE OF PROPERTY (IF | DIFFERENT): | | | 11 | | |
| Personal | Residence | | | | San Dalla | |
| SEPTIC SYSTEM: Is there a septic | system on the property? | YES NO | | | | |
| What is current or planned system | m? Municipal DEC | -approved on-s | ite system | | | |
| WATER SOURCE: Municipal | Cistern/Roof Collection | Well | | | | |
| LEGAL ACCESS TO LOT(S) (Street | Name): Sandy | Beach | Road. | | | |
| TYPE OF VARIANCE REQUESTED | | | | | A THE AREA | |
| XYard Setback | | | | | | |
| Maximum Lot Coverage | | | | | | |
| Building Height | *** | | | | | |
| Fence Height | | | | | * | |
| Other: | | | | | | |
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| SUBMITTALS: | | | THE RESIDENCE OF | | | |
| Please include a site plan of your SIGNATURE(S): | proposed development. | ISVAN - INV | over the street of the street | | | |
| | tion submitted with this a | nolication is tru | e and correct to the | e hest of | my knowledge I | |
| I hereby affirm all of the information submitted with this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also affirm that I am the true and legal property owner or authorized agent thereof for the property subject herein. | | | | | | |
| Applicant(s): Du M | | | Date: | 6 | 17/21 | |
| Owner(s): | | | Date: | | | |

19.80 VARIANCE APPLICATION

(SUBMIT WITH SITE PLAN)

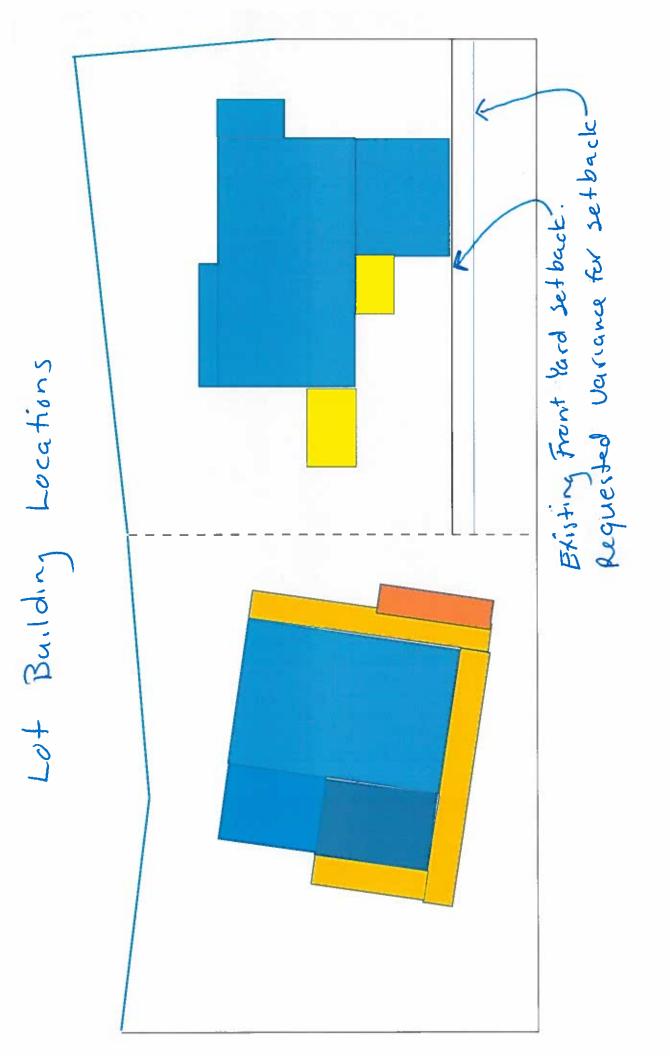
| Applicant(s): Dave N. Ohmel |
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| Address or PID: 613 Sandy Beach Road. |
| Conditions of approval as required in Petersburg Municipal Code 19.80.050: (Note that all three conditions must be satisfied in order to qualify for a variance.) |
| 1. What is the exceptional physical circumstance or condition affecting this property? |
| Substandard Lot Area Easements/ROW Stream/Drainage |
| Steep/Unstable Slope Odd Lot Shape Structure |
| Forcing me out into my neighbors view |
| 2. Explain the exceptional physical circumstances or conditions applicable to the property or to its intended use or development which do not apply generally to the other properties in the same zone. |
| Answers in a Hachment |

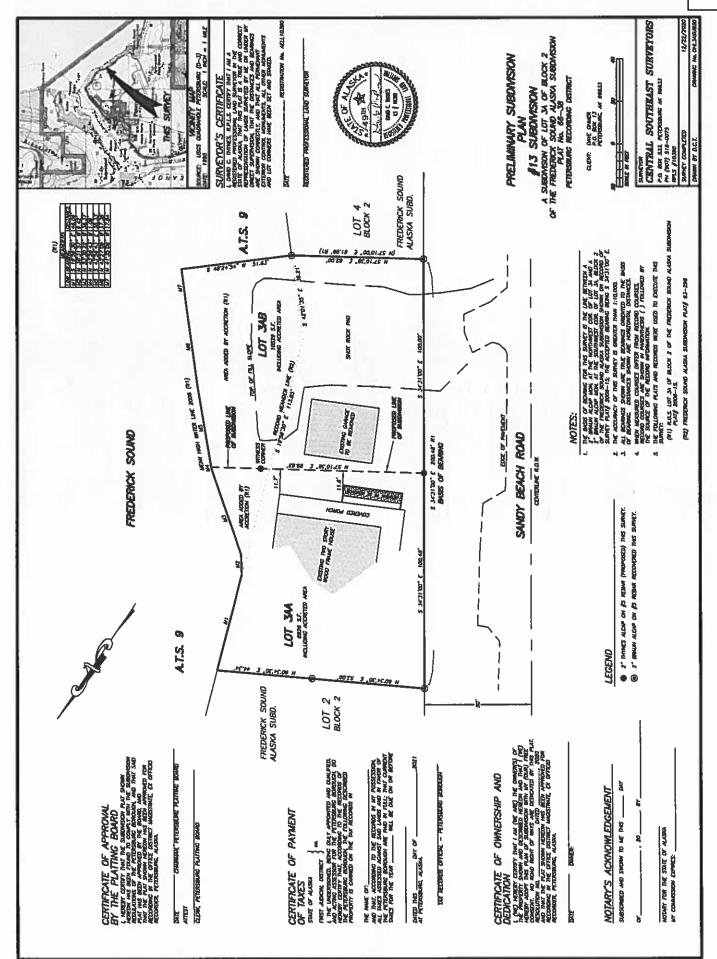
3. Explain how the strict application of there provisions of this title would result in practical difficulties or unnecessary pecuniary hardships.

4. State why the granting of the variance will not result in material damage or hardship or prejudice to other properties in the vicinity nor be detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare.

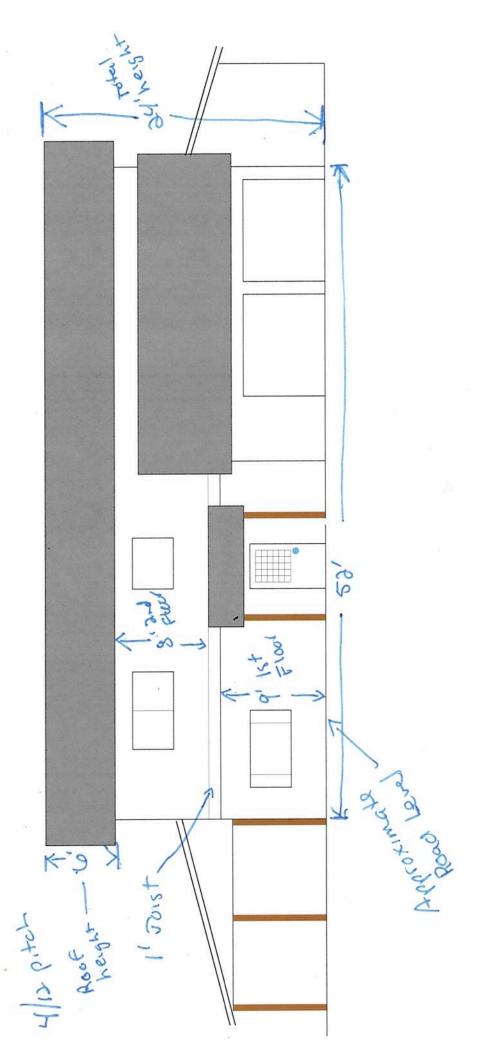
19.80 Variance Application Responses

- 1) Other The 20 ft front yard setback on my shallow beach lot, forces my planned home out into my neighbors view more than I would like. For this reason I am requesting a 5 ft reduction in the front yard setback requirement.
- 2) Both my neighbors' homes were built with outstanding views both north and south. On the new homesite I am developing, the 20 ft front yard setback, on a wide Sandy Beach Rd, forces me out into Sue Paulson's and my current home's view. My goal with this request is to minimize this as much as possible. I have altered my house plans to address this, but still am making more of an impact than I would like. Many of the homes on Sandy Beach Rd. were developed inside this 20 ft setback and my current home just to the north of this new building, was built in 1985, 10 ft from the right of way, and for 36 years there has been plenty of off-road parking and no adverse safety issues.
- 3) Building a large home with a garage on a 100 ft wide property, is not a problem. Building a home that meets the 20 ft front yard setback and also maintains, as best I can, the current views of my neighbors is a challenge.
- 4) Granting my variance request will not do material damage, create a hardship or prejudice neighboring properties, and in fact it will do the opposite on all three. My sole reason for this request is to do all I can to make this change in harmony with my neighbor's property value. I am requesting a reduction of 5 ft on the front yard setback and that will move me 5 ft out of others view. While this may seem minimal the effect at a distance is great. From Sue Paulson's house, 75 ft from my planned home, a 5 ft different will lead to 533 ft more view at a distance to Prolewy Pt and 1,771 ft more view at the distance of Sukoi Islands.





(613 Sandy Beach Road New home elevations









 From:
 Jennifer Bryner

 To:
 Karen Malcom

Subject: 613 Sandy Beach Road

Date: Saturday, August 7, 2021 4:30:15 PM

Matt and I support the request for the Ohmer home to be built within 15 feet of the property line. The setbacks from the road are excessive and the variance causes no safety concerns. The shallow lots in that area are problematic for building, and we appreciate the attention to the impact of the neighbors' views.

Thank you,

Jennifer Bryner

Sent from my iPhone

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PETERSBURG BOROUGH VARIANCE APPLICATION

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| TOTAL: | \$170.00 |
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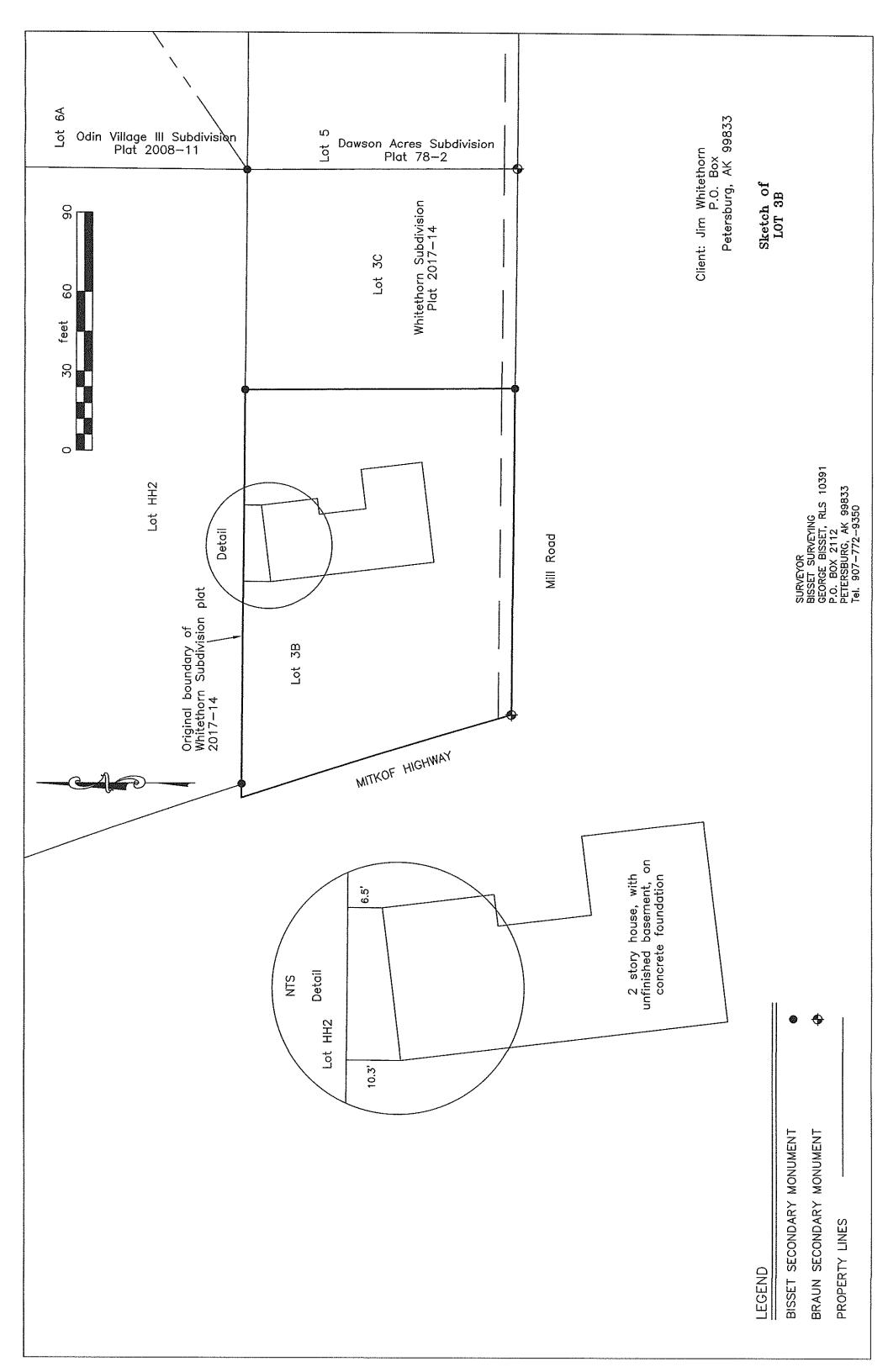
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| JAMES & SONJA White | MORN | MANUAL ADDDESS | | | |
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| CURRENT USE OF PROPERTY: | | | | | |
| WARE HOUSE With | DAYCHMAN | BRET | L | LOT SIZE: 14196 SF | |
| PROPOSED USE OF PROPERTY (IF DIFFERENT): | | | | | |
| SAME | | | | | |
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| SEPTIC SYSTEM: Is there a septic sys | tem on the property? [| ☐ YES 🔁 NO | | | |
| What is current or planned system? | ☐ Municipal Æ DEC- | approved on-site | system | | |
| WATER SOURCE: ☒ Municipal ☐ (| Cistern/Roof Collection | □ Well | | | |
| LEGAL ACCESS TO LOT(S) (Street Nar | ne): | - 11 | - | | |
| Mill Rd | | | | | |
| TYPE OF VARIANCE REQUESTED | | | | | |
| 🔀 Yard Setback | | | | | |
| ☐ Maximum Lot Coverage | | | | | |
| ☐ Building Height | | | | | |
| ☐ Fence Height | | | - | | |
| ☐ Other: | | | | | |
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| SUBMITTALS: | | | | | |
| Please include a site_plan proposed p | olans. | | | | |
| SIGNATURE(S): from & william - Source & William - | | | | | |
| I hereby affirm all of the information submitted with this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I | | | | | |
| also affirm that I am the true and legal property owner or authorized agent thereof for the property subject herein. | | | | | |
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| Applicant(s): JRMES & Sonja Whitethorn | | | Date: | 7/10/21 | |
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| Owner(s): SAME | Applicant(s): JAMES & Sonja Whitehner Date: 7/10/21 Owner(s): Date: SAME | | | AME | |
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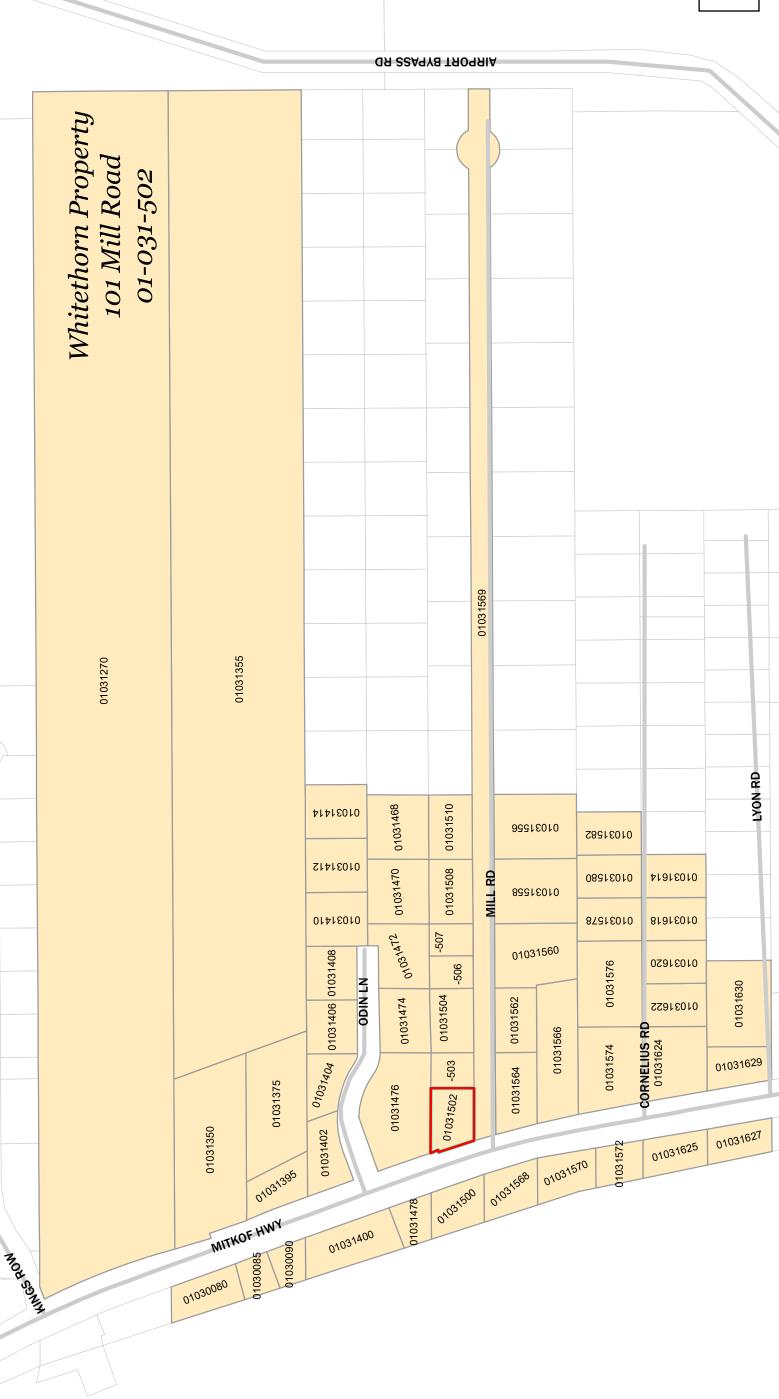
19.80 VARIANCE APPLICATION

(SUBMIT WITH SITE PLAN)

| Applicant(s): JAM 5 4 Sc | oujo Whitethor | .w |
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| Address or PID: 121 M | 11 Rd, Box 94 P. | sg Ak, 998≥3 |
| Conditions of approval as require conditions must be satisfied in or | - | 19.80.050: (<u>Note that all three</u> |
| 1. What is the exceptional physica | l circumstance or condition affec | ting this property? |
| ☐ Substandard Lot Area | ☐ Easements/ROW | ☐ Stream/Drainage |
| ☐ Steep/Unstable Slope | ☐ Odd Lot Shape | ☑ Nonconforming Structure |
| ☐ OTHER (Please Specify): | | |
| 2. Explain the exceptional physical intended use or development which Includes the Set B. | ch do not apply generally to the c | ther properties in the same zone. |
| 3. Explain how the strict applicatio unnecessary pecuniary hardships. | FOR FUTURE 5 | would result in practical difficulties or $\mathcal{P} \in \mathcal{F}$. |
| other properties in the vicinity nor | be detrimental to the public hea | damage or hardship or prejudice to lth, safety or welfare. 76 From my House FIRE TRUCKS. |

To







Karen Malcom

From:

lynch1@gci.net

Sent:

Monday, August 2, 2021 9:51 AM

To:

Karen Malcom

Subject:

Comment on Jim and Sonja Whitethorn Variance Request August 10 Planning

Commission Hearing

To Petersburg Planning Commission,

RE: August 10 Public Hearing

We are in support of granting the request from Jim and Sonja Whitethorn for a variance from the side yard setback requirement for their home at 101 Mill Rd.

Thank you for consideration of our comments.

Sincerely, Brian & Kyong Lynch 228 Mitkof Hwy Petersburg Date: 7-29-2021

To: Liz Cabrera

Director, Community & Economic Development

From: Gary Aulbach

Box 726

Petersburg, AK 99833

Hello Liz,

I am writing this letter in response to the application for variance by Jim and Sonja Whitethorn. I will be out of town on the date of the public hearing.

To begin, I want it to be clear that my wife and I have no problem at all with the Whitethorn's being granted this variance. I think most people would love to be able to live next door to their children and grandchildren.

My reason for writing this letter has to do more with the administrative side of constructing a building in Petersburg.

I see that in your letter you refer to the structure on this property as a single-family residence but on the variance application it is referred to as a Warehouse with watchman apartment. It is in fact a single-family residence with an unfinished garage/basement. As this building is located on an industrially zoned lot I understand why it is being called a warehouse with apartment, however, a few years back the Borough went through a very lengthy discussion with another individual in town who was doing the exact same thing and at the time the Borough gave in but said it was not going to be allowing that same practice any more. It might be a different case here because this is not waterfront industrial property and perhaps you could clear that up.

When a builder applies for a building permit a site plan must first be submitted showing where the building will be placed in accordance to the property lines. I am curious if a site plan was submitted for this project and if it showed that the building would end up being 6.3' from the property line or if it showed it being the required 10' from the line? I find it hard to believe that an experienced builder could make a 3.7' mistake when placing the foundation.

I am only bringing these points to light because I feel this could lead to more applications for variances in the future. Any builder could submit a site plan showing that the owners are in compliance with the setback but then build the building as close as they want and simply apply for the variance afterward. After all, what could happen? The Borough certainly is not going to make them tear the building down and move it 4'. Code violations like this need to be caught before any concrete is poured or pilings are driven. At that time, the owners can opt to stop and apply for a variance before construction begins or move the building lines and proceed with construction.

Thank you for your time.

Gary Aulbach