



City of Willowick
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Wednesday, August 09, 2023 at 7:30 PM
City Council Chambers

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MINUTES

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: BZA Member Koudela, BZA Member Yarleets, BZA Member Clarke, BZA Member Flaisig, and BZA Member Hill.

Law Director, Stephanie Landgraf and Chief Housing and Zoning Inspector Sean Brennan were absent.

CHAIRMAN TO SWEAR IN APPLICANT(S) & AUDIENCE MEMBERS WHO WILL BE GIVING TESTIMONY.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES June 14, 2023, BZA Meeting

Motion by BZA Member Flaisig, Seconded by BZA Member Clarke to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2023 Meeting. Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Case No. 23-8

Thomas Steimle & Michael Nelson
279 E. 327 St.

1165.07(b) - 16" to extend a fence beyond the rear house line on the right side.

The secretary sent out neighbor notification forms to affected neighbors.

Louise Steimle of 285 E. 327th St. appeared before the board.

Ms. Steimle presented a picture to the board showing where the old fence was that shows it wasn't even with the house. There would be a gap for small animals to get in etc.

Mr. Koudela stated that the original drawing showed the fence off of the corner of the house. Ms. Steimle said yes but they didn't know the post could not be moved as it was cemented into the ground. She said she is basically there for an arm's length of space.

Mr. Yarleets asked if Mr. Brennan was aware that the holes were not inspected. She said yes and that her contractor said he called and nobody showed up so it isn't his fault.

Ms. Steimle said she had to hire an attorney as she doesn't feel she should have to pay the BZA Fee because she wasn't at fault.

Ms. Steimle said Mr. Brennan put the wrong address on the paperwork and that she shouldn't be on any of it because she doesn't own the property. She owns 285 E. 327th St. but the variance should be at 279 E. 327th St. owned by her husband Thomas Steimle and Michael Nelson. She stated the contractor used her name and address as the contact person as the owner on the application which caused confusion.

Motion by BZA Member Yarletts, Second BZA Member Flaisig to grant the variance.

Voting Yay BZA Chairman Koudela, BZA Member Yarletts, BZA Member Flaisig, BZA Member Clarke, and BZA Member Hill. Motion carried.

****Chairman Koudela would like it reflected in the minutes that the correct address for the variance is 279 E. 327th St. and the owners are Thomas Steimle and Michael Nelson****

Case No. 23-9

Daniel Adams

30320 Barjode Rd.

1165.05 - 14' 7" of double fencing rear left property line.

The secretary sent out neighbor notification forms to affected neighbors.

Mr. Adams of 30320 Barjode Rd. appeared before the board.

Mr. Adams stated that the existing neighbor's chain link fence was installed by a previous owner with the barbs facing up. Mr. Adams had permission from the neighbor to remove the fence and replace it with his new fence however the fence was delayed and once it was picked up and installed it was found to be very flimsy. The neighbor told Mr. Adams he could keep up her chain link fence up and she would put a plastic cover on top of the barbs because her dogs would tear his new fence right down.

Mr. Flaisig asked how the maintenance would be handled between the 2 fences. Mr. Adams stated he would use Epsom Salts and a weed whacker. He is also considering putting down limestone.

Mr. Adams stated that his neighbor's were not notified. The secretary did send out notices by regular mail per the ordinance to the affected neighbors for both cases.

Mr. Koudela asked if there would be a gate. Mr. Steimle said there would not be a gate.

Motion by BZA Member Flaisig, Second BZA Member Yarletts to grant the variance.

Voting Yay BZA Chairman Koudela, BZA Member Flaisig, BZA Member Clarke, and BZA Member Hill. Nay BZA Member Yarletts. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS - none

OLD BUSINESS - none

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by BZA Member Yarletts, Second BZA Member Hill to adjourn the meeting.

Voting Yay BZA Chairman Koudela, BZA Member Yarletts, BZA Member Flaisig, BZA Member Clarke, and BZA Member Hill. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.