

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MEETING

July 15, 2015

PRESENT: Hintz, Hutton, Roy, Sakrison, Zuelke

ABSENT: None

OTHERS: City Administrator Rich, Building Inspector Leahy

Sakrison called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Approve meeting minutes – May 20th, 2015

Motion made by Roy to approve the May 20th, 2015 minutes as presented, second made by Hutton. Motion carried 5-0.

Public hearing – variance (Art Baseler – 916 Eureka Street)

Sakrison opened the public hearing at 5:01 p.m. Art Baseler was present to address the Board, requesting a variance to extend an existing fence to a height in excess of seven feet in an R-1 (single-family residential) district at 916 Eureka Street. The variance is to allow a 10 foot height. The existing ordinance allows a 7 foot height maximum. Baseler explained that the back of his lot has a drop in elevation. The existing 6 foot fence was put up about nine years ago, but with the slope of the property they still have a straight line of sight over the top of the 6 foot existing fence straight into the Fountain View nursing home bedrooms, which does not provide privacy for either party. The height of the existing 6 foot fence would be extended by 4 feet by constructing a decorative trellis to block the sight line to and from the nursing home. The trellis about be wood-grain, cross-hatch lattice design. The rear of their lot backs up to the parking lot of the nursing home. Roy closed the public hearing at 5:06 p.m. Zuelke moved and Hutton seconded a motion to approve the request for variance. The request meets hardship criteria and benefits both sides. Motion carried 5-0.

With no further business before the Board, Roy moved and Hintz seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0. Sakrison declared the meeting adjourned at 5:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lori Rich
City Administrator