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**GENOA TOWNSHIP  
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
September 8<sup>th</sup>, 1998**

**MINUTES**

*A regular meeting of the Zoning board of Appeals was called to order by Chairman Staley at 7:00 p.m. at the Genoa Township Hall. The following board members were present constituting a quorum for the transaction of business: Rick Staley, Barbara Figurski, Chris Hensick, Robert Murray and Nancy Litogot. Also present were Mike Archinal, Township Manager; and approximately 20 persons in the audience.*

*Moved by Figurski, supported by Hensick, to approve the Agenda as presented. The motion carried.*

*A call to the public was made with no response.*

1. 98-31...*A request by Michael and Jan Pozan, 4022 Aster Blvd., Howell, Section 04, for a privacy fence 6' high to enclose their yard. (Tabled from August 11, 1998 meeting)*

*Moved by Hensick, supported by Litogot, to table for the third and final time. The motion carried unanimously.*

2. 98-36...*A request by Mary Jones, 959 Sunrise Park, section 09, for a 2' side yard variance to build a new home. (Tabled from August 11, 1998 meeting)*

*A call to the public was made with the following response: Bill Litogot – This new home will not negatively affect the neighborhood. I support this petition. Moved by Hensick, supported by Murray to grant the following variances: 9' roadside, 2' south side, and 12' lakeside. This action is based upon a 2' modification, which moves the home 2' farther from the lake. The variances for this one story structure are approved because of the location of the existing garage and the proximity of the neighbors house on the south side. The motion carried unanimously.*

3. 98-41...*A request by Patrick Burns, 1137 Chemung, Howell, Section 10, for a side variance to attach a garage to an existing home.*

*A call to the public was made with no verbal response. Letters were received from Rowe, Wickstrom, Goker, Ross and Smith in support of the petition. Moved by Murray, supported by Litogot, to grant a 7'6" variance to side yard due to the narrowness of the lot. The motion carried unanimously.*

4. 98-42...A request by Paul Siupik, 3671 Cresthill, Brighton, Section 22, for a 20' side variance and a second side variance of 3' to build a new home.

A call to the public was made with the following response: Tom O'Connell – Mr. Siupik's proposal is very realistic. I have no objection. William Maruk – What is the reason for a 20' variance? Staley – This is an error. Maruk – I have no objection to the petition. Terry Ralski – I have no concerns. Moved by Murray, supported by Figurski, to table at the petitioner's request to allow the petitioner to obtain a survey and stake the property. The motion carried unanimously.

5. 98-43...A request by Richard Oberliesen, 6511 Forest Beach Dr., Brighton, for a 23' side variance to remove and rebuild a home.

A call to the public was made with the following response. George Swift – If the new home is to be placed on the foot print of the old one, how is the home closer to the lot line? Oberliesen – So that the new home can be centered on the lot. A letter was received John and Elizabeth Swift asking that a survey and staking be provided before board action. Moved by Murray, supported by Figurski, to table the request to allow the petitioner to survey and stake the lot. The motion carried unanimously.

6. 98-44...A request by Alan Umstead, 1786 South Hughes, Brighton, for a 6' privacy fence.

A call to the public was made with the following response: Harvey Zameck (Attorney representing the next door neighbor) – This is not a privacy issue and no hardship has been demonstrated by the petitioner. There has been no change of circumstance from two years ago. Moved by Hensick, supported by Figurski, to deny the request since no hardship or practical difficulty was presented. In addition no change in circumstance was presented which would justify a variance. The motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Moved by Murray, supported by Figurski, to approve the Minutes of the 8-11-98 regular meeting of the board with typographical corrections and adding the hardship to case 98-38. The motion carried unanimously.

The regular meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Paulette A. Skolarus  
Genoa Township Clerk