

**PRESQUE ISLE TOWNSHIP
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
PUBLIC HEARING
Held March 29, 2018**

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. by the Chairman: J. Bidwell.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: Members present: J. Bidwell, E. Szymanski, B. Fay and B. Hellmuth. Absent Member: C. Winters

Approval of Agenda: B. Hellmuth moved to approve the agenda as written. Seconded by; B. Fay. All ayes; motion carried.

Comments from Audience: None

****PUBLIC HEARING OPEN @ 7:02 PM.**

Variance – Leow: J. Bidwell read an email from Walter Dawson a concerned neighbor. P. Budnik explained that the applicant has requested 2 variances. The first variance would allow a 45 foot front setback from a 42 foot existing setback. Thus being, less non-conforming. The requested addition would be 12’x21.4’ for a total of 256.8 square feet. The second part of the variance request is to build a 20’x20’ garage in the rear of the property. The rear setback is required to be 20 feet and the applicant is requesting the setback to be 10 feet. The applicant gave his presentation to the commission members at this time.

****PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED @ 7:50 PM.**

Variance Decision: Commission members discussed the request to determine a decision based on practical difficulty. B. Hellmuth moved to approve the requested 45 foot from the 50 foot front setback for the addition to the north side of the existing home. Seconded by; B. Fay. A roll call vote was taken. All ayes; motion passed. Discussion was made regarding the 10 ft. variance request for the garage at Grand Lake Blvd. Commission members determined that P. Budnik can approve a 14 ft. variance without ZBA approval. B. Fay moved to deny the 10 ft. variance request for the garage to Grand Lake Blvd. a practical difficulty could not be shown. Seconded by; E. Szymanski. The board members discussed various options for the garage that would not require a variance. A roll call vote was taken. All ayes; motion passed. Commission members advised the applicant to work with P. Budnik to come up with a 14 ft. setback.

Adjournment: With no further business to discuss; the meeting was adjourned at 7:58 pm.

Meeting Reminder: The ZBA will meet again on Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 7:00 pm for their regular scheduled meeting.

Respectfully submitted; Kimberly S. Bedard, Administrative Assistant