

**PRESQUE ISLE TOWNSHIP
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
PUBLIC HEARING
Held September 27, 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, B. Fay, E. Szymanski, C. Winters and B. Hellmuth.

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

****Public Hearing Open @ 7:00 pm – Appeal (Pardieke & Kropp):** Due to a conflict of interest; E. Szymanski excused himself at this time. J. Bidwell asked R. Steiger (Attorney representing the Appellants) to present the appellants case regarding the appeal of an approved site plan to build a 40' x 60' accessory building by the Planning Commission (PC). The Kropp's and Pardieke's (appellants) all spoke regarding their opposition to the site plan approval. B. Szymanski (Site Plan Applicant) spoke in defense of their site plan approval by the PC. ZBA members asked if there could be any harmonious solutions that could be made between the appellants and the site plan applicant. R. Steiger asked if he could have 5 minutes to convene with his clients. The ZBA members agreed to allow a 5 minute recess. The meeting was paused at 8:30 pm and resumed at 8:35 pm. R. Steiger advised that the appellants agreed that they will not challenge the building on Lot 27 and will challenge the building on Lot 25 (current lot request of construction).

****Public Hearing Closed @ 8:41 pm (Discussion & Decision):** The ZBA members discussed the appeal at this time. B. Fay moved to uphold the planning commission's decision to allow the Szymanski's site plan of the pole barn and to deny the appeal. Seconded by; B. Hellmuth. Discussion was then made by the ZBA members. A roll call vote was taken; 2 ayes and 2 nays. With a tied vote, the motion failed. The ZBA members continued discussion to determine if there could be a compromise. C. Winters moved to approve the recommendation of the planning commission with the condition that the applicant will plant evergreens the height of the eaves on the rear and fence side of the accessory building, to help conceal the structure. Seconded by; B. Hellmuth. A roll call vote was taken. All ayes; motion carried.

Adjournment: With no further business to discuss; the meeting was adjourned at 9:26 pm.

Meeting Reminder: The ZBA will meet again on Wednesday, January 2, 2019 at 7:00 pm for their regular scheduled meeting.

Respectfully submitted; Kimberly S. Bedard, Administrative Assistant