

**PRESQUE ISLE TOWNSHIP
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
SPECIAL PUBLIC HEARING
March 2, 2021**

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

Roll Call: Members present: J. Bidwell, B. Fay, R. Kurkechian, S. Lang, D. Matuszak, C. Smith, C. Winters

Guests: 4

Approval of Agenda: B. Fay moved to approve agenda as prepared. C. Winters seconded. Roll call; All ayes; agenda approved.

Comments from Audience: (3 minutes per audience member) None

Correspondence: None

Public Hearing:

- R. Stenger/ M. Skiba requested Special ZBA Meeting for requesting to place a 12' x 18' floating shed 20' from the 30' high water mark. This does not meet the zoning ordinance requirement of a minimum 30' setback from the high water mark in the greenbelt area.

J. Bidwell led the discussion of the ZBA members. Once they determined what was the front of the existing house and other lot specifics of this property, they discussed the shed in question was built without a permit and is in violation with the set-back regulations of the Township Ordinance. After much analysis of the property, discussion, considering all options and determining that building an accessory structure without a permit and placing it in a nonconforming area, the ZBA members did not want to set a precedent by allowing this type of construction.

Comment from Audience member: M.A. McCoy said she is a full-time resident of the Township now and found the meeting interesting.

Public Hearing Closed at 7:40 p.m.

Deliberations:

All the ZBA members voiced their opinions and concerns and reviewed all other options in regard to the property in question. A practical difficulty was not established, due to the fact the shed in the greenbelt area could be moved 10' resolving the nonconforming issue.

D. Matuszak motioned to move the accessory building 10' toward the house to satisfy the 30' green belt high water mark ordinance. C. Winters seconded the motion. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion approved.

Adjournment: With no further business to discuss; the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Meeting Reminder: The ZBA will meet again on Tuesday, May 4, 2021 at 7:00 pm for the regular scheduled meeting.

Respectfully submitted: Bev Huard, Administrative Assistant