

**LOWELL CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, JULY 29, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairperson Clements called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL – PRESENT:** Forde, Bieri, Clements, Jones

**ABSENT:** Thompson

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 15, 2020:** Motion by Bieri, seconded by Forde to approve the minutes of the January 15, 2020 meeting. Motion carried.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS** – Motion by Jones, seconded by Bieri to nominate Tim Clements as Chairperson, Mary Jo Bieri as Vice-Chairperson, and Ray Jones as Secretary. Motion carried.

**VARIANCE APPLICATION:** Clint Forester at 2550 Springside Drive, Lowell MI 49331. Chairman Clements opened the meeting to the variance request of Clint Forester of 2550 Springside Dr. The applicant gave reasons for the variance and why it should be granted. He has a temporary structure at present, which is against the zoning ordinance and against Grand River Estates rules. Mr. Forester must make a permanent structure but the lay of land forces him to be 10 feet from the lot line instead of the 25 feet required by Lowell Township ordinance.

**ZBA DISCUSSION OF VARIANCE REQUEST:** After discussing the four criteria of the standards of section 24.07 of the Lowell Township Ordinances it was felt that all four were met (A, B, C, D). Motion by Jones, seconded by Bieri to grant the request for the variance due to the reason that all four criteria of the fact sheet were met. Roll call vote: Forde– Yes, Bieri– Yes, Clements– Yes, Jones– Yes. Motion passed 4-0. Variance is granted.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Chairperson Clements asked for public comments – None were offered.

**GENERAL DISCUSSION:**

Marijuana Houses

ZBA Appeal regarding a non-conforming dwelling on Parnell Ave

North Park pedestrian bridge

Full-time Fire Dept

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Bieri, seconded by Clements to adjourn at 8:00pm. Motion carried.

Submitted: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary Ray Jones

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_