

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
VILLAGE OF WATKINS GLEN HELD MONDAY, MAY 20, 2019

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The public session of the meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Stacy Gray who led the assembled in the pledge of allegiance. Present were Stacy Gray, David Hertel, Colleen Chavchavadze, Roger Hugo and Treasurer Rhonda Slater. Absent were Chairman Robert Lee and Code Enforcement Officer Gregory Larnard. There were five other persons in attendance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

David Hertel made the motion to approve the minutes for the April 16, 2019 meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals. Roger Hugo seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

**APPLICATION FOR ZONING REVIEW**

**Tuttle Use Variance for 407 Twelfth Street**

Johanna Tuttle explained to the Board that her family is looking to purchase 407 Twelfth Street to demo the existing single-family home and to build a new one-story single-family home set on a basement. The new home would be constructed more towards the center of the lot. The Board went through the use variance findings and decisions tests. The Board determined that the need to rebuild is necessary to support their growing family and to care for an elderly parent. They further determined that the alleged hardship is unique as this property does not deter public access to waterfront or provide a waterfront view. The home will also be replacing an in-kind structure so will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood as it is currently a residential section of this district. Although the alleged hardship could be considered self-created because they are in the process of trying to purchase the property, they are taking the appropriate steps to rectify the issue prior to completion of the sale. For these reasons, David Hertel made the motion to approve the requested use variance. Roger Hugo seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

**BOARD CONCERNS/NEW BUSINESS**

Chairman Robert Lee submitted, in writing, a letter of resignation to the Board due to health issues that have hindered his involvement. Stacy Gray made the motion to accept the resignation of Robert Lee as member and Chairperson for the Zoning Board of Appeals. David Hertel seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to come before the Board, David Hertel made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30pm. Colleen Chavchavadze seconded the motion. The Board then voted on the motion and all were in favor. Motion Carried.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectively Submitted,

Rhonda E Slater