

**City of Olean**  
**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

**Minutes for Zoning Board**  
**Meeting held on August 24, 2017**

**1. Roll Call**

Rob DeFazio called the meeting to order at 5:30p.m. Secretary Thomas Enright read the roll call. All members were present except Bob Moser.

**Present:**

- Otto Tertinek
- Rob DeFazio
- Charlotte Hardy
- Thomas Enright
- Darryl Bloom
- Shayne Certo

**Absent:**

- Bob Moser

**Staff:**

- Kathleen Hewitt- Account Clerk Typist

**1. Old Business**

**Reading and approval August 10, 2017 meeting minutes.**

A MOTION was made by Thomas Enright, seconded by Darryl Bloom to approve the August 10, 2017 meeting minutes as is. Voice vote, ayes all. Motion carried.

## **2. New Business**

Thomas noted Mr. Carucci has requested the public hearing to be scheduled for the fourth Thursday in September which is September 28, 2017 in place of the regular scheduled two week meeting dated September 14, 2017 due to Mr Carucci has a conflicting schedule.

Thomas requested a roll call to be placed from the board members for attendance of September 28, 2017 meeting to verify a quorum. Otto Tertinek-absent, Darryl Bloom- should be present and a follow up will need to be made to Bob Moser.

Thomas Enright read the application regarding 117 S. 4<sup>th</sup> Street aloud requesting to continue as a distribution center for limousine and bus transportation. If granted it will vary from Chapter 28 Article 4 Section 4.2.2 of the Zoning law.

A MOTION was made by Thomas Enright to set the public hearing for September 28, 2017 at 5:35 p.m. Seconded by Darryl Bloom; Voice vote, ayes all. Motion carried.

Rob DeFazio requested from Mr. Carucci a “Short Environmental Assessment Form” prior to next meeting to be submitted to the code enforcement office.

## **3. Public Hearing**

Thomas Enright read the application regarding 220 N. Fifteenth St. aloud requesting a handicapped ramp to be applied from the front porch. If granted it will vary from Chapter 28 Article 28 Section 6.1 of the Zoning law.

Rob questioned who is representing this variance. Wayne Cooper stated he was representing the variance due to Mr. Gunsolus health. He stated he is the president of “Rebuilding Together” for the Olean area and they will be constructing the ramp for him.

Charlotte Hardy questioned if they have installed many ramps within the city. Wayne responded they have been for many years in Olean and the surrounding areas. He continued this ramp will be close to the road due to the lot size only being 34 ft wide which includes the 9 ½ feet driveway.

A MOTION was made by Darryl Bloom, seconded by Otto Tertinek to close the public hearing at 5:44p.m. Voice vote, ayes all, Motion carried.

Rob reviewed “Finding and Decision”

Thomas questioned if this ramp will need to be built by a specific code. Wayne responded it will be almost to code due to lacking 2 or 3 feet in length. He further explained they have spoken to Edward Jennings and the best location will be to build it by the front door on a 4x4 platform and

it will run the length of house onto another platform and the ramp will then come down. Wayne continued they shoot for a 1 inch rise or drop per foot however; this will be 1 ¼ inch rise or drop due to the lack of room on the lot and prevent it from running onto the neighboring property. Wayne noted they looked into using the backdoor but then Mr. Gunsolus would not be able to park in his driveway or if he could he would then have to park over the sidewalk. He noted the ramp would be approximately 40 inches wide.

Charlotte questioned how they treat it for winter. Wayne responded he will need to use a de-icing component.

A MOTION was made by Darryl Bloom, seconded by Charlotte Hardy to approve the Area Variance without conditions. Voice vote, ayes all. Motion carried

#### **4. Zoning Board Business**

Rob questioned for a consideration to change the meeting time for all future ZBA meetings to remain at 5:30p.m. permanently.

A MOTION was made by Darryl Bloom, seconded by Shayne Certo to approve the meeting time to 5:30p.m. permanently. Voice vote, ayes all. Motion carried

David Carucci requested permission to submit packets to each member. Rob granted permission to submit to each member and the code enforcement office for the file however; no questions or statement was to be given or answered.

#### **Adjournment**

A MOTION to adjourn was made by Darryl Bloom, seconded by Charlotte Hardy. Voice vote, ayes all, Motion carried.

#### **Next Meeting Date**

The next Zoning Board meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, September 14, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. located in room 119 pending new business. Meeting adjourned at 5:54 pm.