

Board of Adjustments Meeting
Regular Meeting
April 6, 2015
6:00 p.m.
St. Mary Parish Courthouse Fifth Floor
Franklin, Louisiana

The Board of Adjustments met in Regular Session on this date with Chairman Scott Berry presiding, and the following members present: Rodney Olander, S. Clevelin Broussard, John P. Davis, Wynord Thomas, Sr. and Larry Hotard. Absent was Matthew Williamson.

Mr. Thomas pronounced the Invocation.

Mr. Hotard led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Broussard moved that the reading of the minutes of the monthly meeting, March 9, 2015 be dispensed with and that the same be approved. Mr. Thomas seconded the motion, which carried.

Mrs. Luke reminded board members of the Annual Ethics Training and that it is available at www.ethics.state.la.us.

Mr. Scott Berry read the request for a Rear Yard Setback Variance from the required 10 ft. to 5 ft. in a Single Family Residential (SR) Zoned District located at 100 Myrtle St., Morgan City, LA.; Parcel Id 3014381037.00, Sec.21 T15S R12E; Lot North 62 Ft. No. 4 Boy Blue Subd. Sq. C Acq. 79 288812.

Mr. Berry announced that the Planning and Zoning Department received a phone call and an email from Mr. James Bergeron to express opposition in reference to the Rear Yard Setback Variance from the required 10 ft. to 5 ft. in a Single Family Residential (SR) Zoned District located at 100 Myrtle St., Morgan City, LA.; Parcel Id 3014381037.00, Sec.21 T15S R12E; Lot North 62 Ft. No. 4 Boy Blue Subd. Sq. C Acq. 79 288812.

Mr. Olander questioned the location of Mr. James Bergeron's property in reference to the proposed property

Mr. Berry stated that Mr. Bergeron's property is located adjacent to Mrs. Billiot's property.

Mr. Berry stated that Mr. Bergeron's email had a typographical error in which Mr. Bergeron stated the proposed setback as a side setback variance instead of a rear yard setback variance.

Mrs. Luke stated that the error occurred because of the placement of Mr. Bergeron's home to Mrs. Billiot's property.

Mrs. Luke stated that Mr. Bergeron's side yard is technically Mrs. Billiot's rear yard.

Mr. Broussard explained to Mrs. Billiot that the board cannot dismiss the opposition of other citizens.

Mr. Hotard questioned whether Mrs. Billiot's request was to be denied could the proposed garage still be constructed.

Mrs. Luke explained that Mrs. Billiot shall go forth with the proposed building of the garage by making adjustments such as placement and size that are in compliance with the current requirements.

Mrs. Luke questioned who owned the pompous grass.

Mrs. Billiot stated that Mr. Sharp owns the pompous grass in the front property and that Mr. Bergeron owns the pompous grass in the rear of the property.

Mr. Sharp stated that the pompous grass presents a road safety hazard.

Mrs. Luke stated that the pompous grass issue is the responsibility of the roads department.

Mrs. Luke questioned that when the 10 ft. was measured, was it measured from the pompous grass or was it measured from the fence and questioned how Mrs. Billiot determined that she needed to request a five (5) ft. rear setback variance .

Mrs. Billiot stated that she decided to apply for a setback variance according to the width of the proposed garage.

Mrs. Luke stated that proper measurement would be to measure from the property line to the structure.

Mr. Thomas questioned whether Mrs. Billiot would consider placing the garage in the front of the home and questioned the type of materials that will be used for the construction.

Mrs. Billiot stated that the garage will be built with a wooden frame and external vinyl.

Mrs. Luke explained that Mrs. Billiot does not have the available space to build the garage in the front of the house.

Mr. Broussard made a motion to deny the request for a Rear Yard Setback Variance from the required 10 ft. to 5 ft. in a Single Family Residential (SR) Zoned District located at 100 Myrtle St., Morgan City, LA.; Parcel Id 3014381037.00, Sec.21 T15S R12E; Lot North 62 Ft. No. 4 Boy Blue Subd. Sq. C Acq. 79 288812. Mr. Hotard seconded the motion which carried with the following 4-0-0-1 Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: Rodney Olander, S. Clevelin Broussard, Larry Hotard and Wynord Thomas

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Absent: Matthew Williamson

There being no further business, Mr. Olander moved for adjournment. Mr. Thomas seconded the motion, which carried.

Scott Berry, Chairman
St. Mary Parish Board of Adjustments