

PERKINS TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING

Held By: Perkins Township Zoning Board of Appeals

Place: Perkins Township Complex, 5420 Milan Road

Date: August 18, 2008

Time: 7:15 p.m.

Appl.# BA2008-0013

Board Members Present: Theodore Kastor, Chairperson
Ralph Roshong
J. Thomas Pascoe
Kathy Niehm, Assistant Secretary
James Lamb, Secretary

Board Members Absent: Owen Reed, Vice Chairperson
Gary Gast

Mr. Kastor opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. Ms. Niehm read the application and swore in Richard Spore, 3005 Columbus Avenue, Sandusky, Ohio. Mr. Spore made a presentation to the board and stated that he wanted the additional space over his fence as his neighbors can look over at his house and the neighbors have no curtains on their many windows. He stated that he is also distracted by his neighbors' security light. He stated his neighbor's house is higher than his. He stated he has spent over \$4000.00 on bushes to plant along the lot line but they have not matured yet and do not give him the privacy that he wants.

Mr. Kastor asked Mr. Lamb when he noticed this zoning violation? Mr. Lamb stated that when the Van Tine's put on the addition to their house and during an inspection of the addition he noticed the fence. Mr. Lamb stated that he spoke with Mrs. Spore and told her that needed to remove the additional fencing.

Ms. Niehm read and presented in the minutes a letter of correspondence from Ms. Linda Van Tine stating the objection to the variance.

Mr. Roshong asked why he wanted the variance? Mr. Spore stated that the neighbor's security light bothered them, also the neighbors did not have curtains on their windows and they look at the Spore's house.

Mr. Roshong stated that Mr. Spore was in violation of the Perkins Township zoning rules. Mr. Roshong stated that he thought it was unsightly and would not support the variance.

Mr. Kastor asked Mr. Lamb if fences could be installed on earth mounds? Mr. Lamb stated fences are to be on ground elevation. Mr. Kastor asked if Mr. Spore talked with his neighbors about the situation? Mr. Spore stated he did not talk to his neighbors.

Mr. Roshong made a motion to close the Public Hearing and open the Public Meeting. Mr. Pascoe seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Roshong, yes; Mr. Pascoe, yes; Mr. Kastor, yes.

Mr. Pascoe stated he spoke with Mrs. Spore and he stated he thought the fence addition was ugly and it was falling down and it was in violation of the zoning code.

Mr. Pascoe made a motion to deny Applciation #BA2008-0013, a variance request filed by Richard Spore, 3005 Columbus Avenue, Sandusky, Ohio. Richard Spore owns the property. The request is for a variance to allow a fence higher than six feet in the side yard. Mr. Roshong seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mr. Pascoe, yes; Mr. Roshong, yes; Mr. Kastor, abstain. The motion was approved and the variance was denied.

Theodore Kastor, Chairperson

Kathy Niehm, Assistant Secretary