

**TOWN OF BARRE
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
APRIL 15, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER: 7:02 pm by Mrs. Tierney

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

LuAnn Tierney Cindy Burnside
Stephen Karas Richard Miller
Charles Swan Steve Coville

BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSSED

Others present: Wilford Wraight, and Joan Wraight.

I. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES – December 17, 2018

Mr. Miller made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of December 17th; seconded by Mr. Swan and carried (5-0).

II. PUBLIC HEARING

Joshua Baird 4645 Oak Orchard Road (95.3-1-35)

The public hearing was opened at 7:03 pm.

Mrs. Tierney stated that Mr. Baird wanted to move the existing steps/landing from the front of the house to the south side of the house where the new driveway is being constructed. This would make the property more in compliance. A variance of 33 foot front setback would be required.

- A hand drawing was included with the application
- Mrs. Tierney had pictures of the house
- Scaffolding is currently up at the house so work could be done on the house
- Both Mr. & Mrs. Wraight were in favor of granting the variance because of the improvement being done.

The public hearing was closed at 7:09 pm with a motion made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Karas and carried.

The SEQR was completed.

RESOLUTION NO 1-2019

**Introduced by: Cindy Burnside
Seconded by: Charles Swan**

WHEREAS, The Barre Zoning Board of Appeals has reviewed the SEQR of **Joshua Baird's application** for property located at 4645 Oak Orchard Road (95-.3-1-35); and be it hereby

DECLARED a negative SEQR.

Mrs. Tierney – Aye
Mrs. Burnside – Aye
Mr. Miller – Aye
Mr. Swan – Aye
Mr. Root – Aye

The resolution was thereupon duly adopted.

RESOLUTION NO 2-2019

Introduced by: Steve Karas
Seconded by: Dick Miller

WHEREAS, The Barre Zoning Board of Appeals has reviewed the application of **Joshua Baird for an area variance** for property located at 4645 Oak Orchard Road (95-.3-1-35); and be it hereby

RESOLVED, that a 33 foot front setback be granted for the project of the front steps/landing being moved to the south side of the home going to the new driveway be granted.

Mrs. Tierney – Aye
Mrs. Burnside – Aye
Mr. Miller – Aye
Mr. Swan – Aye
Mr. Root – Aye

The resolution was thereupon duly adopted.

II. OLD BUSINESS

A reminder that four hours of training are required each year was given. There are training available at Burgundy Basin Inn on May 17th and also at Hoag Library on May 29th.

III. NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Tierney has obtained a copy of the agreement between the Town and County. In it, it states that a simple area variance is one thing that does not have to go to the County first for approval. Hence, Mr. Baird's application did not need to go to the County. Mr. Miller asked why we can't exempt applications like Mr. Baird's in the hamlet at least the cost of the variance. Mrs. Tierney stated that the Town Board sets the fees and they are the only ones that can exempt fees.

Mr. Miller asked about a property on Allis Road who was fined because a variance was not obtained for a ramp. The new owner has now torn down the ramp and put a porch on. Shouldn't the new owner need a variance?

Mr. Miller also mentioned that the gravel pit on Eagle Harbor Road near Miller Road have been taken down.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Miller made a motion to adjourn at 7:34 pm; seconded by Mr. Karas and carried (5-0).

Lee A. Preston, Clerk