

**SHIAWASSEE COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
OCTOBER 14, 2015– BOARD MINUTES**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Henry W. Martin III called the regularly scheduled monthly Zoning Board of Appeals public hearing to order at 7:00 P.M. on Wednesday evening, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015. The hearing was held within the County Board of Commissioners' meeting room located on the first floor of the Surbeck Building, 201 N. Shiawassee Street, in Corunna, MI.
  - a. **ROLL CALL:** Present: Fred Junger, Bradley Hissong, Duane Wood, Julie Hales-Smith, Robert Ebmeyer and Henry W. Martin III. Absent: Ann Gamboe Hall. Also present: Peter Preston, Community Development Director and Matthew Lafferty, Land Use Planner.
  - b. **EXCUSED ABSENCES:** **Motion:** Wood moved to excuse Hall from tonight's meeting. **Support:** Junger. **Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 nays.**
2. **PROOF OF PUBLICATION:** The board was informed that a legal notice of the scheduled hearing had been posted within the Sunday September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015 edition of the Independent Newspaper to all of their zones and that proof of publication was on file. Chair Henry Martin declared the hearing as legally noticed.
3. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** **Motion:** Junger moved to remove item "8.a." (PZBA15-015, MYERS) due to new information obtained this morning and as stated in an email from Colleen Nelson, Child Care Program Consultant with the Child Care Licensing Division of Michigan Licensing and Regulatory Affairs. The email stated that for a county or township, an ordinance can't be more restrictive than the Child Care Organizations Act (1973 PA 116). **Support:** Ebmeyer. **Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 nays.**
4. **APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES:** **Motion:** Junger moved to approve the August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015 minutes as printed. **Support:** Wood. **Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 nays.**

**Motion:** Wood moved to approve the September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 minutes as printed. **Support:** Ebmeyer. **Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 nays.**
5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** Beverly Lang from Woodhull Township spoke about the removed item from the agenda (PZBA15-015, MYERS). She said that they had learned of the State statute on Monday, October 12, 2015 and had called a special meeting for the next day. Stated that they will allow her to apply for a Special Use Permit as long as she meets the six (6) criteria in the State law. Lang said that she would accept email as notice of future applications and does not need to wait for a staff report. She is not sure what buffering requirements are for the daycare and will notify the State. Also, should see that buffering requirements be looked at.
6. **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:** None.

7. **OLD BUSINESS:** None.
8. **NEW BUSINESS:** None.
9. **INTERPRETATIONS OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE:** None published.
10. **ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:** Preston had stated that the rewrite committee has taken up language in the Ordinance for review and that we plan on rewriting the Ordinance by January. Also, rewrite is looking at the 2.5-acre limit for lot sizes. Preston presented revenue reports to the Board. Said that there was an expected 15% increase in growth and that we are currently at approximately 40% growth from last year. The current growth trend line is showing an upward motion for the County.
11. **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:** Junger would like to talk about cases highlighted by the ZBA and that they be further reviewed.
12. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Lang stated that the MTA is helpful and other resources may be available.
13. **ADJOURNMENT: Motion:** Junger moved to adjourn. **Support:** Wood. **Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 nays.** The public hearing adjourned at approximately 7:15 P.M.

**Recording Secretary:** Matthew Lafferty

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Approval Signature  
Shiawassee County Zoning Board of Appeals

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Approval Date