

Franklin Township, Portage County  
Board of Zoning Appeals  
July 8, 2024

Present: Chair Justin Money Penny, Shawn Martin, Marilyn Sessions, and Sam Abell, Board Members; Joe Ciccozzi, Zoning Inspector; Jenny August, Secretary.

Mr. Money Penny called the Board of Zoning Appeals meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. He introduced the Board members and explained the procedures for the meeting.

**7:00 Hearing:**

At 7:00 p.m. an application by Scott King, 7608 Diagonal Rd representing the property located at the same address (parcel number 12-075-00-00-020-000) was heard for a variance to section 405.06 A.5. The code does not allow for an accessory structure in the R-1 zoning district to be placed in the front yard. The applicant requested to place an accessory structure on the south side of his west facing lot 100 feet back from the right of way of Diagonal Rd.

Mr. Money Penny asked who is here to speak to this tonight. Mr. Scott King of 7608 Diagonal Road was sworn in. He told the board that he would like to build a workshop or hobby shop, but will also use it for storing patio furniture in during the winter. It will have a garage door, but he has no plans to put any cars inside. It will be a weatherized, very appealing salt box style structure with paint to match the house. He is unable to put it in the back yard because it is very steep and only 30' off Pines Drive.

Mr. Money Penny opened public comments. Ms. Alicia Rauckhorst-Jenkins of 7591 Heather Circle Kent was sworn in. She came to show support for Mr. King doing what he wants on his own property.

Mrs. Sessions moved to allow the applicant to build an accessory structure on the south side of his west-facing lot 104 feet back from the right of way on Diagonal Road. Mr. Martin seconded the motion. All board members voted yes. The variance was approved.

Mr. Money Penny noted that there was a 30-day appeal period that would begin after the minutes of this meeting were journalized. The journalizing will occur at the next meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Mrs. Sessions moved to approve the minutes from the March 11, 2024 meeting with a second from Mr. Money Penny. Mr. Martin abstained. All others voted yes. The meeting minutes were approved.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting is scheduled for August 12, 2024 at 7:00 pm to consider any applications that may come in.

**Adjournment:**

The hearing was adjourned at 7:14 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenny August  
Secretary, Board of Zoning Appeals

Approved as submitted:

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Chairperson, Justin Money Penny

Approved as amended:

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