

HOUMA BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

Official Proceedings of March 18, 2013

Government Tower 2nd Floor, Terrebonne Parish Council Meeting Room

1. The Chairman, Ms. Katie Sims, called the March 18, 2013 meeting of the Houma Board of Adjustments to order at 2:10 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Mr. Willie Newton.
2. Upon Roll Call, those members present were Ms. Katie Sims, Mr. Willie Newton, Mr. Pete Konos, and alternate member Ms. Trudy Hebert. Members absent were Mr. Joe Harris, and Mr. John Tipton, Jr. Also present was Mr. Christopher Pulaski, Senior Planner for Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government.
3. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Chairman recognized Mr. Pulaski who stated that there was a typo for item 5a with the driveway width being requested. He stated that the variance is from 30' to 36.3' instead of 30.3'.

4. AGENDA ITEM 4, APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF February 18, 2013.

It was moved by Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Konos, that the minutes of the February 18, 2013 meeting be approved. THERE BEING NO OPPOSITION, THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. NEW BUSINESS:
 - a. Structure Variance: driveway width variance from the maximum of 30' to 36.3' to construct driveway for new single-family residence on a corner lot, property located at 117 Thetford Drive (R-1, Single-Family Residential Zoning District), *Kaci Guidry, applicant.*

The Chairman recognized Mr. Pulaski who stated that the inclusion of a 2-car garage with an attached shed is a continued trend. He stated that this Board has approved three similar requests in 2012, and as previously indicated Staff will take this into account as possible revisions to the current zoning regulations are reviewed. He stated that a site visit was conducted, adjacent property owners were notified, and no calls were received regarding this request. He stated that Staff recommends approval of the variance request.

Discussion was held concerning revisions to the zoning regulations regarding driveway width for corner lots.

Subsequent to discussion among the members of the Board, Mr. Konos moved, seconded by Mr. Newton, "THAT the Houma Board of Adjustments approve the request".

ROLL CALL VOTE:
YEAS: Newton, Konos and Hebert
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
NOT VOTING: Sims
ABSENT: Harris and Tipton

THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MOTION ADOPTED AND THE APPLICATION APPROVED.


6. NEXT MEETING DATE:

The next scheduled Board of Adjustments meeting will be held on April 15, 2013.

7. BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MEMBER COMMENT: None

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

9. Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Konos, "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Houma Board of Adjustments, the meeting be adjourned at 2:21 p.m." NO OPPOSITION, MOTION CARRIED, CHAIRMAN DECLARED MOTION ADOPTED AND THE MEETING ADJOURNED.



Joe Harris, Secretary-Treasurer