**Meeting Minutes**

**Lodi Township Board of Appeals**

**August 12, 2014**

**Lodi Township Hall**

**3755 Pleasant Lake Road**

**Ann Arbor, Michigan 48103**

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Paul Thibault at 7:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

1. Roll Call of the Commission

Present: Rentschler, Thibault, Steeb, Ellis

Absent: Bauer

Others Present: Zevi Bareket, One unknown observer

1. Approval of October 15, 2013 Meeting Minutes

There being no additions or corrections, temporary Chair Thibault called for a motion to approve the October 15, 2013 minutes. Motion by Rentschler, seconded by Ellis, to approve the minutes. Motion passed 4-0.

1. Public hearing for Zevi Bareket – Section 11.04.E.2 Regulations and yard setbacks at 2621 West Arbor, Ann Arbor, Michigan. Lodi Township Parcel Number M-13-01-400-053.

Mr. Bareket addressed the Board explaining his request to build a barn, which if placed where requested, will require a variance for one small corner within the thirty (30) foot setback. Several stands of mature trees and a very large engineered septic field severely limit any other placement. His neighbors have no objections to the request. After discussion by the Board of Appeals the following findings of fact were established:

Findings of Fact:

A natural stand of trees on the west boundary and the location of an engineered septic field limit the placement option.

Barns are a permitted use in AG zoning.

This is the optional location for the barn to not interfere with the septic field.

Reducing the side-yard setback allows the owner to enjoy an otherwise permitted use.

A motion to grant the variance was made by Steeb to accept the findings of fact, seconded by Rentschler. Motion passed 4-0.

1. Other Business

None.

1. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned as moved by Steeb and seconded by Ellis at 8:05 p.m. Passed 4-0.

Paul R. Thibault

Acting Chairman