



Meeting Minutes
Lodi Township Board of Appeals
April 16, 2019
7:30 pm
Lodi Township Hall
3755 Pleasant Lake Road
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48103

1) Call to Order

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

2) Roll Call :

Present:	Bauer, Shutes, Steeb, Foley
Absent:	Bunton
Others Present:	Michael Vara, Anne Vara, one neighbor

3) Approval of November 20, 2018 Meeting Minutes

There being no additions or corrections, Chair Steeb called for a motion to approve the November 20, 2018, minutes. Motion by Foley, seconded by Shutes, to approve the minutes. Motion passed 4-0 with one absent.

4) Public hearing for Vara variance :

Public hearing for a variance of side yard setback to 8 feet for the purpose of rebuilding garage/barn that burned down in the same location – Lodi Township Ordinance 20.02A additional building on the property located at 3761 Textile Road, Parcel M-13-26-100-002.

Michael Vara made a presentation to replace his burned down garage/barn with a 24' by 50' building to duplicate the original structure. Discussion followed by the Board of Appeals.

Motion by Foley, seconded by Bauer to approve the variance based on the following Findings of Fact:

- 1) Owner would be deprived of a garage within easy walking distance of his house and visual security of the back acreage which includes a pond large enough for swimming and illegally accessible through the back of his parcel.
- 2) Owner wishes only to replace that of which was lost by the fire and made non-conforming by previous lot splits.
- 3) The T shape of the lot and placement of his home is unique and requires special consideration.
- 4) The existing placement of the well and engineered drain field was determined with consideration of the original garage/barn location.
- 5) Neighbors have no objections to this request- see application.

By vote of the planning commission the motion passed 4-0 with one absent.

Bauer - Yes
Foley - Yes
Shute - Yes
Steeb - Yes
Bunton - Absent

5) Other Business

None.

6) Adjournment

There being no further business, motion to adjourn by Shutes supported by Bauer at 7:45pm. Motion passed 4-0, one absent.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John J. Steeb". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

John Steeb
Chairman