

City of Long Grove
February 19, 2018 Plan & Zone Meeting Minutes

Present: Mark Abdon, Merle Hermsen, Kent Long and Doug Morrell
Guests: Giles Looney and Jim Rasche (Encore Builders)

Merle opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Doug motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Kent, all ayes.

Doug made a motion to approve the January 15th minutes, seconded by Kent, all ayes.

Jim Rasche was invited to the table to explain his reason for requesting a variance for a deck to be built on the property at 408 Amethyst which would encroach into the 30 foot rear setback. On December 19, 2017, Jim completed the variance request application and paid the \$150 non-refundable fee. A discussion took place on whether or not to grant the variance. The Board was concerned about this setting a precedence for other variances being requested. They reviewed the Long Grove Zoning Ordinance Book, specifically Page 33 – Standards for Variances, and decided that this was a unique property because of its location on a cul-de-sac, the detention pond and Schultz Park are directly behind it and there are no close neighbors that would be affected by it blocking the line of site. Merle stated that he still has concerns about the drainage issue and shared with Jim Rasche the pictures on his phone that he had taken last August of how high the water got in the detention area behind that lot. After much discussion, Kent made a motion to approve the variance to allow Jim Rasche to build a 14 x 16 deck that would encroach no more than 10 feet over the 30 foot rear setback. Doug seconded the motion, all ayes.

Doug motioned to recommend to the City Council the appointment of Nikki Sailor to the P&Z Board. Kent seconded the motion, all ayes.

Pam announced to the Board that she had received Doug Morrell's resignation letter effective March 31, 2018. Doug is selling his home in Long Grove and moving to Oregon.

Doug motioned to adjourn the meeting, Mark seconded, all ayes.

Respectfully submitted by Pamela Petersen

Attachments:

Long Grove Zoning Ordinance Page 33 – Standards for Variances
Copy of the Request for Variance Application and Rasche's Check
1 Map of the Property
3 Colored Pictures of the Property
2 Black and White Picture of the Property