

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF UNION**  
**Zoning Board of Appeals**  
**Regular Meeting**

A regular meeting of the Charter Township of Zoning Board of Appeals was held on March 6, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at Union Township Hall.

**Meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.**

**Roll Call**

Present: Bryan Mielke, Taylor Sheahan-Stahl, Andy Theisen, and Tim Warner

Excused: Jake Hunter

**Others Present**

Peter Gallinat and Jennifer Loveberry

**Approval of Minutes**

Sheahan-Stahl moved Mielke supported the approval of the February 6, 2019 minutes as presented. **Vote: Ayes: 4 Nays 0. Motion carried.**

**Correspondence / Board Reports**

Mielke updates from the Planning Commission

**Approval of Agenda**

Mielke moved Sheahan-Stahl supported to approve the agenda as amended. Add election of 2019 Officers, per ZBA bylaws. **Vote: Ayes: 4 Nays 0. Motion carried.**

**Public Comment: Restricted to (3) minutes regarding issues not on this Agenda**

Open – 7:04 p.m.

No comments were offered.

**New Business**

- A. VAR 2019-02 - 4101 E. Bluegrass Rd., Mt Pleasant, MI 48858 Owner: Bluegrass Retail Management LLC: A variance from section 11.11.a, 128.7 SF for wall signage

Township Planner, Gallinat read the Public Hearing Notice for Variance 2019-02, a variance from section 11.11.a, requesting 128.7 square feet for wall signage. Background history was given, stating that the applicant currently has an approved permit for a free-standing elevated sign near the road which meets zoning code standards.

**Public Hearing**

Public Hearing – open 7:07 p.m.

No Comments were offered.

Public Hearing – closed 7:07 p.m.

Applicant Sean Affrica, representative of Bill Carr Signs/Chandler Signs, stated the desire to use 3 wall signs on the Aspen Dental Building, asking for a variance for the square footage exceeding the maximum permitted.

Discussion was held by the ZBA board.

**Theisen** moved **Sheahan-Stahl** supported denial of VAR 2019-02 for additional wall signage, based on the criteria from section 5.8.C.a-e of the Board of Appeals powers and duties section, outlining the reasons for denial of variance. **Vote: Ayes: 4 Nays 0. Motion carried.**

Township Planner, Gallinat stated that there would be a 21-day appeal period before the decision is final. Starting after the minutes are approved at the next scheduled meeting in April 2019.

**B. 2019 ZBA Election of Officers**

**Theisen** moved **Sheahan-Stahl** supported to re-elect the current officers (Chair Warner, Vice Chair Mielke, Secretary Hunter, Vice Secretary Theisen) for consecutive terms of the same office per the ZBA Rules of Procedure. **Vote: Ayes: 4 Nays 0. Motion carried.**

**Other Business**

**Extended Public Comment**

Open 7:37 p.m.

No comments were offered.

**Final Board Comment**

**Adjournment**

Chair Warner adjourned the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

**APPROVED BY:**

  
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**Jake Hunter –Secretary**  
**Andy Theisen – Vice Secretary**

*(Recorded by Jennifer Loveberry)*