

**DAVISON TOWNSHIP  
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
JANUARY 9, 2024**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Richard Hill, Carol Hagler, Eric Hernandez, Joy Smith, Nancy Davis, Travis Howell  
Building Official Planning/Zoning Admin./ Matt Place  
Attorney Bill Delzer  
Recording Secretary Jami Vert

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Treasurer Tim R. Green

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jim Baker, Cindy Baker, Skip Davis

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Davison Township Zoning Board of Appeals was called to order at 7:00 P.M. at the Davison Township Municipal Center, 1280 N. Irish Road, Davison, MI 48423.

**ADOPT THE AGENDA**

**MOTION BY DAVIS, SECOND BY HOWELL** to amend the January 9, 2024, agenda to add item 2a for meeting time. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVE PREVIOUS MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 13, 2022**

**MOTION BY DAVIS, SECOND BY HAGLER** to approve the September 13, 2022, regular board meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**MEETING TIME**

The board discussed having the meeting moved from 7 p.m. to 6 p.m.; the board decided to leave the meeting time at 7 p.m. due to residents being able to make it.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**MOTION BY DAVIS, SECOND BY HERNANDEZ** to nominate Richard Hill as Chair. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION BY DAVIS, SECOND HERNANDEZ** to nominate Carol Hagler as Vice-Chair. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION BY DAVIS, SECOND BY HOWELL** to nominate Eric Hernandez as Secretary. Motion carried unanimously.

**CASE #16-V-2023-1**

Jim Baker – owner of 7097 Davison Road – wants the out building I started building to be able to keep it for my wife’s ex-husbands belongings; went to my neighbors and asked if they would sign stating they don’t have a problem with the building; upset that one of my neighbors was able to have another building and didn’t have to follow the ordinance; not a

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permanent structure; I do have an attitude with this whole situation; am I allowed to keep it or do I have to sell it.

Place – back in the day we did not require permits; we do now; to many have been popping up; the applicant is requesting a variance of one building of the maximum of one accessory building permitted per section 1705.1 of the Davison Township Zoning Ordinance; section 1705.1 states parcel under 2 acres or less are allowed 1 accessory building; Mr. Baker is requesting an additional building of 192 sq ft (12x16); Mr. Baker's property is .96 acres with an existing accessory building of 896 sq ft; this site is surrounded by RU-1 zoned land that is fully developed; there are some comparable accessory buildings in the area.

Hagler – what is your opinion, should it be approved or denied?

Place – I was just stating what the ordinance is.

Davis – does it make a difference if it is permanent?

Place – it is an accessory; they keep popping up all over the Township.

Hill – I should abstain from voting; he is my neighbor.

Hernandez – I would approve of it; not in ground.

Howell – neighbors are okay with it.

**MOTION BY HOWELL, SECOND BY HERNANDEZ** to approve case #116-V-2023-1. Motion carried. 5 – yeas; 1 – no.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Public comment period opened at 7:17 p.m./ Public comment period closed at 7:17p.m.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION BY HAGLER, SECOND BY DAVIS** to adjourn at 7:18 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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**Eric Hernandez, Secretary**