The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Harris.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert Harris
Mike Carlin
Jack Dempsey
Don Schnettler
William Pratt

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Mark Lewis, Chief Building Official
Alice Geletzke, Recording Secretary
2 members of the public

ITEM NO. 1 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Regular Meeting – September 7, 2017

Moved by Mr. Pratt and supported by Mr. Carlin to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 7, 2017 as submitted. Ayes all.

ITEM NO. 2 – NEW BUSINESS

Application No. 1559 - Kristin Gavel
9209 Corinne
Plymouth MI 48170

Location – 9209 Corinne
Plymouth MI 48170

Tax I.D. #78-059-03-0096-000
R-1 Zoning District

RE: Zoning Ordinance No. 99, Article 6, Sec 6.4 (f) (1) (a) One Family Residential Districts, Fences, maximum height

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**The applicant is requesting one variance:**

The applicant is in an R-1 zoning district and is requesting one variance to allow a six (6) foot wood fence around the rear yard whereas a four (4) foot fence height is the maximum allowed. 

*The variance requested is two (2) feet of fence height.*

Ms. Kristin Gavel addressed the Board and answered questions about the reasons for requesting a variance in order to construct a six foot fence. She indicated she is home alone frequently, has a large dog that can jump a shorter fence, and has the need for privacy for her side yard which is located close to a stop sign near where people park.

Chairman Harris noted receipt of an e-mail from Kevin Darga, a neighbor on the north side.

A lengthy discussion ensued as to exactly where the fence would be located on the property. A neighbor was in attendance at the meeting who also had questions about the location of the fence.

It was determined that an additional variance would be required if the fence comes further toward the front of the house because the Zoning Ordinance only allows fences to come to the back of the structure.

Ms. Gavel said that in dealing with Building Department personnel, she was not made aware that this would constitute another variance.

Moved by Mr. Carlin to approve Application 1559, located at 9209 Corrinne, for the proposed variance requested, going from 4 ft. to 6 ft. in height with the option of the owner coming back to revisit the issue of bringing the fence closer up to the front; and, also, that the fee be waived because of possible miscommunication on the original plan.

Chairman Harris amended the motion to note that the fence can come to the back side of the house.

The motion was withdrawn by Mr. Carlin and Mr. Harris.

Moved by Mr. Pratt and supported by Mr. Carlin to table Application 1559, 9209 Corrinne, until the November 2, 2017 meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals.

**ROLL CALL:**  
AYES: Pratt, Carlin  
NAYS: Dempsey, Harris, Schnettler

Motion defeated.

The conditions of the Zoning Ordinance were reviewed by Chairman Harris.
Moved by Mr. Schnettler and supported by Mr. Dempsey to allow the fence to go around the back yard as indicated on the Zoning Board agenda sheet to where a 4 ft. fence would go, granting a variance to allow a 6 ft. fence for Application 1559, 9209 Corrinne.

ROLL CALL:     AYES:  Schnettler, Dempsey, Harris, Carlin
                NAYS:  Pratt

Motion carried.

Chairman Harris adjourned the meeting at 6:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Carlin, Secretary
Zoning Board of Appeals

If denied, the applicant may appeal to Circuit Court.

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