

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ESCAMBIA
COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

January 20, 2021

1. Call to Order.

Present: Willie Kirkland, JR.

Basil Kuloba

Judy Gund

Auby Smith

Marty Schack

Michael Godwin

Jennifer Rigby

Staff Andrew Holmer, Division Manager, Planning & Zoning

Present: Horace Jones, Director, Development Services

Kristin Hual, Assistant County Attorney

Rachel Whitmire, Administrative Assistant

Chairman Smith called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Adjustment to order at 08:31 AM

2. Swearing in of Staff and acceptance of staff as expert witness

3. Acceptance of the BOA Meeting Package with the Development Services Staff Findings-of-Fact, into evidence.

Motion by Board Member Willie Kirkland, Jr., Seconded by Board Member Judy Gund

Motion was made to accept the January 20, 2021, BOA meeting packet.

Vote: 7 - 0

4. Proof of Publication and waive the reading of the legal advertisement.

Motion by Board Member Judy Gund, Seconded by Board Member Willie Kirkland, Jr.

Motion was made to waive the reading of the legal advertisement.

Vote: 7 - 0 Approved

5. Approval of Resume Minutes.

- A. Approval of Resume Meeting Minutes from the December 16, 2020, Board of Adjustment Meeting.

Motion by Board Member Judy Gund, Seconded by Board Member Willie Kirkland, JR.

Motion was made to approve the December 16, 2020, BOA Resume Meeting minutes.

Vote: 7 - 0 Approved

6. Consideration of the following cases:

A. Case No.: V-2021-01

Address: 516 N Navy Blvd

Request: To allow a monument sign on a commercial property that currently contains a freestanding sign

Requested by: Danny York, Agent for WAL Pensacola CW, LLC

No BOA member acknowledged any ex parte communication regarding this item.

No BOA member acknowledged visiting the site.

No BOA member refrained from voting on this matter due to any conflict of interest.

Motion by Vice Chairman Michael Godwin, Seconded by Board Member Marty Schack

Motion was made to deny staff's findings of fact and grant the variance.

Vote: 5 - 2 Approved

Voted No: Jennifer Bass and Willie Kirkland, JR.

B. Case No.: CU-2021-02

Address: Multiple addresses on Roach and Holland Roads

Request: To develop a solar power generation facility

Requested by: Allara Mills-Gutcher, Agent for Gulf Power, Owner

No BOA member acknowledged any ex parte communication regarding this item.

No BOA member acknowledged visiting the site.

No BOA member refrained from voting on this matter due to any conflict of interest.

Motion by Board Member Willie Kirkland, Jr., Seconded by Board Member Judy Gund

Motion was made to accept Exhibit A into evidence.

Vote: 7 - 0 Approved

Motion by Board member Willie Kirkland Jr., Seconded by Board Member Judy Gund

Motion was made to accept Staff's Findings and grant the conditional use.

Vote: 7 - 0 Approved

C. Case No.: CU-2021-02

Address: 12830 Lillian Hwy

Request: To place an accessory structure (garage) in the front yard of a waterfront lot

Requested by: Frank A. Skellen Jr., Owner

No BOA member acknowledged any ex parte communication regarding this item.

No BOA member acknowledged visiting the site.

No BOA member refrained from voting on this matter due to any conflict of interest.

Motion by Board Member Judy Gund, Seconded by Board Member Willie Kirkland Jr.

Motion was made to accept staff's findings and grant the conditional use.

Vote: 7 - 0 Approved

D. Case No.: V-2021-02

Address: 12830 Lillian Hwy

Request: To allow an accessory structure (garage) in the front yard of a waterfront lot to be less than 60 feet from the front property line

Requested by: Frank A. Skellen JR., Owner

No BOA member acknowledged any ex parte communication regarding this item.

No BOA member acknowledged visiting the site.

No BOA member refrained from voting on this matter due to any conflict of interest.

Motion by Board Member Judy Gund, Seconded by Board Member Willie Kirkland Jr.

Motion was made to accept staff's findings and grant the variance

Vote: 7 - 0 Approved

E. Case No.: CU-2021-03

Address: 5490 Cruzat Way

Request: To place an accessory structure (garage) in the front yard of a waterfront lot.

Requested by: Renata Chwedczuk

No BOA member acknowledged any ex parte communication regarding this item.

No BOA member acknowledged visiting the site.

No BOA member refrained from voting on this matter due to any conflict of interest.

Motion by Board Member Judy Gund, Seconded by Board Member Marty Schack

Motion was made to accept staff's findings and grant the conditional use.

Vote: 5-1

Voted No: Vice Chairman Michael Godwin

Absent: Basil Kuloba

F. Case No.: V-2021-03

Address: 5490 Cruzat Way

Request: To allow an accessory structure (garage) in the front yard of a waterfront lot to be less than 60 feet from the front property line.
Requested by: Renata Chwedczuk

No BOA member acknowledged any ex parte communication regarding this item.

No BOA member acknowledged visiting the site.

No BOA member refrained from voting on this matter due to any conflict of interest.

Motion by Board member Willie Kirkland Jr.

Motion was made to accept staff's findings and grant the variance. No second motion was initiated, therefore the motion died.

Motion by Board Member Marty Schack, Seconded by Vice Chairman Michael Godwin

Motion was made to deny staff's findings and deny the variance request based on criteria 4 and 5.

Vote: 5 - 1

Voted No: Board Member Willie Kirkland Jr.

Absent: Basil Kubola

7. Discussion Items.

8. Old/New Business.

9. Announcement.

- A. The next Board of Adjustment Meeting and Workshop is scheduled for Wednesday, February 17, 2021, at 8:30 a.m., at the Escambia County Central Office Complex 104, 3363 West Park Place.

10. Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Smith declared the Regular Meeting of the Board of Adjustment adjourned at 11:23 AM.