

The members of the Pequea Twp. Zoning Board met on 1 September 2015 at 19:00 in the meeting room of the Pequea Twp. Municipal Building.

The meeting was called to order by Chairlady Johns.

**Members present:** Jackie Johns, James Haines, Mark Meyer, Robert Mellinger and Tom Haas with Janice Longer present as council to the board.

**Old Business:**

The board approved the 7 July 2015 minutes with a motion by Mark Meyer, seconded by Robert Mellinger.

**New Business:**

The Board will hear an application for a variance from the Boehms United Methodist Church. The church is proposing to construct an auxiliary building near the existing Chapel. The church is requesting a variance from the 50' rear yard setback requirement in Section 604.2.C

**Party Status granted for hearing:**

Cheryl Love, from ELA Group Lititz PA as land planner to the church.

Delores Myers, from church.

Marvin Adams, from church

David Ressler, Trustee from church

Jeff Frey, adjacent property owner.

**The Hearing:**

Cheryl Love testified to the following:

- Proposed building will house dressing rooms and restrooms.
- Permeable drive surface will be used going to building.
- Conservation practices for water will be used in building.
- Sidewalks will be permeable.
- The cemetery prevents closer placement of the structure to the existing chapel to comply with set back requirements.

Neighbor Jeff Frey testified that he supports the project but asked that the bank is maintained in the Southeast corner of the property.

The board adjourned at 19:25 for executive session, returning at 19:35.

**The Decision:**

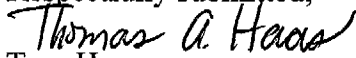
A motion was made by Mark Meyer and seconded by James Haines with all in favor to approve the requested variance from the requirements of Section 604.2.C of the Township's Zoning Ordinance. This variance will allow construction of an auxiliary building with a setback of ~~less~~ 30' <sup>instead of</sup> ~~than~~ 50' from the rear property line as required by the Ordinance. The approval of the variance is subject to the following conditions: (T4H)

- (i) There shall be no additional impervious parking areas added to the site.
- (ii) The landscape plan for the site shall include appropriate measures to address the maintenance of the steep bank in the southeast corner of the site.

Approval is further conditioned on (i) compliance with the representations contained in the application and plans which were submitted and all other representations made on behalf of the Applicant at the hearing; and (ii) complying with any other Township ordinances that affect the property.

The meeting was adjourned at 19:37. Kelly Snyder was the Court Reporter for this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Tom Haas