

CITY OF BURTON
SPECIAL ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 30, 2003, 6:00 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY JAMIE CURTIS AT 6:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Curtis, Grantner, Weatherford, Scott, Terry Parker, Layman, Welch

MEMBERS ABSENT: Centilli

OTHERS PRESENT: T. Strasser, Deputy Planning Official, J. Adams, Clerk's Office

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: No audience was present.

BOARD DISCUSSION:

Mrs. Layman spoke regarding a new sign she noticed at a financial business on Davison Rd.

NEW APPLICATION(S):

Post-poned by applicant from the ZBA meeting held on January 16, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. and re-scheduled for January 30, 2003 at 6:00 p.m.

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| 1. ZBA #02-60 | BY: Atherton Road Sales
6468 E. Atherton Rd., Burton, MI |
| | RE: Part of Parcel #59-23-400-010, C-2 Zoned
900 ft. North of Atherton Rd. / West side
of Belsay Rd. |
| | FOR: Outdoor display of equipment and trailers related to
outdoor power equipment. (5 Votes Required) |

J.W. McKittrick, 6468 E. Atherton Rd., Burton, MI, stated they would like to move their business to this new location. They will need basically the same set-up they are currently using which is displaying new sale equipment outside on the lawn and they want to expand their trailer area. Mr. McKittrick presented to the Board a sketch of the layout of the property. He stated further that without approval they can not move forward.

James McKittrick, 6468 E. Atherton Rd., Burton, MI, said his father started the business in 1951. The business has grown and it has created problems with the neighbors. The six acres should be very sufficient and allow for expansion. They also need to add a product line to the overall business which is outside display of trailers. Mr. McKittrick said his son is the third generation and they have been before this Board many times. The City of Burton has been good to them and they want to remain in Burton.

Mr. Strasser said the Planning Commission has been holding workshops. They discussed making some changes in the regulations of the Zoning Ordinance. One of the proposals is to allow outdoor display of items, merchandise for sale in an outdoor area. Many convenient stores that sell gas out front also has mulch, top soil, firewood and deer feed you can pick up. Hardware stores have wheel barrels out front. Mr. Strasser stated further, the DPW recommends approval and the Planning Commission will do a full site plan review.

BOARD DISCUSSION:

Mr. Welch stated Home Depot and Lowes have outdoor displays. This would be a good move for the business.

Mr. Grantner asked if they have an option on the property.

J.W. McKittrick replied they do have an option.

Mr. Grantner asked if they have a time table set for the move.

J.W. McKittrick said their goal is 24 to 48 months. They have some initial plans and if the economy stays good, it could happen quicker.

Mr. Parker said they have been before the Zoning Board several times and there has been friction with the neighbors. This will ease a lot of the problems. Mr. Parker said he is in favor of the request.

BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS AND/OR ACTION:

Moved by Parker, seconded by Layman to approve ZBA #02-60.
Motion carried, 7-0.

Mr. Curtis stated the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on **Thursday, February 20, 2003 at 6:00 p.m.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

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