



ATTENDEES:

Mayor Pro tem	Michael Dingman
Member	Phillip Poole
Member	Brian Libbey
Member	Michael Dingman
Member	Robert Fitzgerald
Member	Halden Griffith
Ex-Officio Member	Mayor L. Kelly Jones
City Administrator/Sec	Brandy Barrett
Police Chief	Kevin Reaves
Deputy City Secretary	Elisa Greubel

ABSENT:

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Pro tem Dingman called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

A. PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Pro tem Dingman opened the public hearing at 6:32 to receive citizen comments and input regarding the variance request to Ordinance Sections 14.4.12, restricting artificial turf. *(The property owner of 5722 Popken Drive has requested a ZBA hearing on the denial of adding artificial turf throughout his backyard.)*

City Attorney McDonald sworn in all the parties who would be speaking at the meeting.

Ms. Barrett reviewed the application and the city’s current city ordinances regarding living plant materials and impervious surface. She explained her reasoning for denying the initial permit request and outlined the ordinance requirements that must be found in order for the Board to approve a variance.

Mr. Barclay and his attorney provided a review of the turf product that they wanted to install, the flow rates and that their child was allergic to grass pollen.

The following spoke in favor of granting the variance:

- Matthew Dobbertien, 5720 Popken
- Harry Mills, 5725 Popken
- Ron Short, 5721 Popken
- Kevin Khaki, 5716 Popken
- Brad Turner, 5744 Popken

The following spoke in opposition of granting the variance:

- Margaret Worthington, 5700 Tracyne

Chairman Dingman closed the public hearing at 7:14pm.

B. Mayor Pro tem Dingman

Discuss and take action on the variance request for 5722 Popken Drive, requesting approval of a variance from Ordinance Section 14.4.12, to allow artificial turf throughout his backyard.

Following a brief discussion between the board, the applicant and his legal representative, City Attorney McDonald reported the applicant had failed to produce the required evidence of hardship as required by city ordinance, as such the ZBA did not have the authority to grant the variance. Instead, the applicant was encouraged to seek to change the city ordinances, and the Board directed city staff to put artificial turf on the next Planning and Zoning Commission agenda for consideration.

The applicant withdrew his application, to seek a change in the city ordinances with Planning and Zoning Commission. **No action was taken by the Zoning Board of Adjustment.**

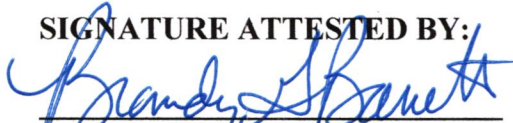
The meeting was adjourned at 7:16pm by Mayor Pro tem Dingman.

MINUTES APPROVED on this 14th day of November 2023.



Michael Dingman, Chairman



SIGNATURE ATTESTED BY:


Brandy G. Barrett, TRMC
City Administrator/City Secretary