

**TOWN OF CLARKSON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**  
**Held at the Clarkson Town Hall and via Zoom Meeting**  
**Wednesday, July 15, 2020 at 7:00 PM**

**Board Members**

Conrad Ziarniak, Chairperson  
Jim Gillette  
Joseph Perry  
Lisa Rivera-French  
Joanne Scheid

**Support Staff**

Richard Olson, Town Attorney \*                      Excused \*  
Kevin Moore, Code Enforcement  
Anna Beardslee, Building Department Clerk

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Conrad Ziarniak called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Meeting was held at the Clarkson Town Hall and via Zoom for those who are unable to attend in person. C. Ziarniak led all those present in the Pledge of Allegiance and read aloud the agenda for the night.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Applicant:** Benjamin Barham  
**Property Owner:** Benjamin Barham  
**Property Address:** 420 Burch Farm Drive  
**Zoning District:** RS-10  
**Tax ID:** 054.01-2-72  
**Acres:** .33 acres

Applicant requesting a 3 foot area variance on the front setback to build a deeper porch with more space so that it is not so confine which is, not in accordance with town code §140-22D 1c1. Minimum setback:

[1] Front: 40 feet; 75 feet on a major road.

C. Ziarniak read through the summary of the application and read through the questions on the application for an area variance.

C. Ziarniak then reviewed the map and dimensions of the current step that goes into the house. He stated, currently there is a 4x8 concrete step.

C. Ziarniak asked Benjamin Barham to give a brief summary of the porch that he would like to have put in.

B. Barham stated that it will be a 6x32 foot porch. They will be using pressure treated wood, it will have a covered roof and they will be removing the 4x8 concrete.

C. Ziarniak asked about the surrounding houses and what type of porches they have.

B. Barham stated that they have 4 foot deep porches.

L. Rivera French asked if the railing would have spindles like the house that is across the street from his.

B. Barham said that it would have posts.

J. Perry asked how big of a step down would it be.

B. Barham said it is less than 12 inches.

K. Moore said he is within the codes and would not need a railing.  
C. Ziarniak made a motion to put this on the agenda for the Public Hearing on August 5, 2020.  
L. Rivera-French seconded.  
Unanimously carried.

**MINUTES:**

L. Rivera-French made a motion to approve minutes from June 17, 2020 as amended.  
J. Scheid seconded.  
Unanimously carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

L. Rivera-French made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 PM.  
J. Gillette seconded.  
Unanimously carried.

**NEXT MEETING:**

The next meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals will be Wednesday, August 5, 2020 at 7:00 PM at Clarkson Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Anna Beardslee, Building Department Clerk*

*Minutes approved on 8/5/2020*