

TOWN OF CLARKSON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING
Held at the Clarkson Town Hall
Wednesday, June 21, 2023, at 7:00 PM

Board Members

Conrad Ziarniak, Chairperson
Joseph Perry
Joanne Scheid
Howard Henick *
Peter Connell

Support Staff

Keith O'Toole, Town Attorney*
Kevin Moore, Code Enforcement
Andrea Rookey, Building Department Clerk

Excused *

CALL TO ORDER:

C. Ziarniak called the Zoning Board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led all those present in the Pledge of Allegiance with a moment of silence for first responders.

NEW BUSINESS:

Applicant: Ronly O' Mara
Property Owner: Ronly O' Mara
Property Address: 3262 Lake Road
Tax ID: 054.01-4-3
Acres: 0.54

Requesting a front setback area variance for a 4ft fence not in accordance with town code:
Town Code 140-14A.

Closed fences shall not be permitted along any front lot line or along side lot lines between the front setback line and the highway right-of-way. Open fences along these lot lines shall not be higher than three feet above the adjacent ground level. Open fences allowed herein shall be encouraged to be decorative, such as picket, split rail or board fences. In determining the height of a split rail fence, the distance to the top of the horizontal rail shall govern and posts shall be no more than one foot higher. Wire fences including chain link fences, shall be prohibited between the front setback line and the highway right-of-way.

Scott Morgan was representing the area variance for the fence. He explained that the fence would be a Manchester picket fence that would go to the east side, facing Lacey Lane.

C. Ziarniak stated that the fence would be an open style fence above 3ft which would be the cause for a variance.

K. Moore stated that the variance would be for the height of the fence in the front yard.

K. Moore said that portions of the fence on the east property line would need a variance as well.

C. Ziarniak asked about the sections that are being requested for a variance to clarify.

S. Morgan stated that it would be the south corner of the house out 26ft and 74 ft along Lacey Lane and then another 26ft on the east side.

C. Ziarniak clarified that the applicant would want 100ft of 4ft picket fencing, and about 25ft of solid vinyl.

J. Scheid asked what would be put in on the North side.

S. Morgan said that there would be the 6ft tall privacy fence.

S. Morgan said all the fencing is white vinyl.

C. Ziarniak asked if the sections would be 6ft or 8ft in width.

S. Morgan stated it would be 6ft sections to account for the wind.

C. Ziarniak asked what S. Morgan uses for anchoring.

S. Morgan said put the vinyl posts in 42in and on the corners they use concrete.

C. Ziarniak asked what goes in the 42in post holes.

S. Morgan stated that they used vinyl posts and that on corners he uses heavy wall posts.

S. Morgan stated that they had a pool and children so it would be safer for there to be a fence.

J. Perry asked if the fence height could be dropped in the corner.

S. Morgan said that they would consider changing the height in the corner.

P. Connell asked about the 4ft height and why they wanted 4ft in height instead of 3ft.

R. O'Mara stated that this would be ideal for their children because the extra foot would be more likely to deter them from being able to climb over.

C. Ziarniak said that he would like clarification on each section, to have the heights labeled.

S. Morgan said that he would submit new drawings.

K. Moore stated that he thinks that the 4ft fence would be beneficial and would act as an extra precaution to deter children from getting to their pool.

C. Ziarniak motioned to schedule a public hearing on July 5th at 7:00pm.

J. Perry seconded the motion.

Unanimously carried.

DISCUSSION:

Discussion on permitting software.

MINUTES:

J. Scheid motioned to approve the minutes from 6/6/2023.

J. Perry seconded the motion.

Unanimously carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

C. Ziarniak motioned to adjourn 8:16pm

J. Perry seconded the motion.

Unanimously carried.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals will be Wednesday, July 5th, 2023, at 7:00 PM held at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Rookey, Building Department Clerk