# CITY OF NANAIMO

## **BOARD OF VARIANCE**

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF VARIANCE HELD ON THURSDAY, 2009-JUN-18, IN THE DOUG RISPIN ROOM, VANCOUVER ISLAND CONFERENCE CENTRE, 80 COMMERCIAL STREET, NANAIMO, BC

PRESENT:

Lars Apland, Chair

Janet Cowling Allan Dick Jim Galloway Amarjit Minhas

STAFF:

Dave Pady

# 1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:58 p.m.

# 2. MINUTES

MOVED by Janet Cowling, SECONDED by Alan Dick that the minutes of the meeting held 2009-May-21 be adopted.

3. APPEAL:

BOV00504

APPLICANT:

Doug Miller & Joel Scobie

679378 BC. Ltd.

LOCATION:

Legal Description: LOT 26, SECTION 16, RANGE 4,

CRANBERRY DISTRICT, VIP83453
Civic Address: 1770 Rajeena Way

**PURPOSE:** The applicant is requesting that the maximum height of a single family dwelling, as shown in the survey provided, be increased from 8.25 metres (27.06 feet) to 8.36 metres (27.42 feet) in order to permit a single family dwelling currently under construction. This represents a variance of 0.11 metres (0.36 feet).

# **ZONING REGULATIONS:**

This property is included in the Steep Slope Residential Zone (RS-7) and the appeal seeks to vary the following provisions of the "City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw 4000":

The height of a principal building shall not exceed the maximum height shown in the following table:

Roof Pitch	Maximum Height
A flat roof (< than 4:12)	6.71 metres (22 feet)
A sloped roof (≥ 4:12)*	8.25 metres (27.06 feet)

<sup>\*</sup> for an area of at least 80% of all roof surfaces measured in plan view.

# DISCUSSION

Mr. Joel Scobie (1770 Rajeena Way) appeared in support of the appeal.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Section 6.7.8.1 - Height of Buildings

# **DECISION**

MOVED by Jim Galloway, SECONDED by Janet Cowling that the appeal be approved.

**CARRIED** 

APPEAL: 4.

BOV00506

APPLICANT:

**Brian Mitchell** 

LOCATION:

Legal Description:

LOT 12, DISTRICT LOT 50, WELLINGTON

DISTRICT, PLAN VIP84702

Civic Address:

5133 Owlstone Place

PURPOSE: The applicant is requesting that the maximum height of a single family dwelling, as shown in the surveys provided, be increased from 8.25 metres (27.06 feet) to 8.32 metres (27.29 feet) in order to permit a single family dwelling currently under construction. This represents a variance of 0.07 metres (0.22 feet).

# **ZONING REGULATIONS:**

This property is included in the Single Family Residential Zone (RS-1) and the appeal seeks to vary the following provisions of the "City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw 4000":

The height of a principal building shall not exceed the maximum height shown in the following table:

Roof Pitch	Maximum Height
A flat roof (< than 4:12)	6.71 metres (22 feet)
A sloped roof (≥ 4:12)*	8.25 metres (27.06 feet)

<sup>\*</sup> for an area of at least 80% of all roof surfaces measured in plan view.

# DISCUSSION

Mr. Brian Mitchell (3620 Hammond Bay Road) appeared in support of the appeal.

## **DECISION**

MOVED by Amarjit Minhas SECONDED by Janet Cowling, that the appeal be approved.

**CARRIED** 

5. APPEAL: BOV00507

APPLICANT:

**Dwane Bell** 

LOCATION:

Legal Description: LOT 2, DISTRICT LOT 49, WELLINGTON

DISTRICT, PLAN VIP86496

Civic Address:

**5265 Toms Turnabout** 

PURPOSE: The applicant is requesting that the required front yard setback, as shown in the survey provided, be reduced from 6 metres (19.69 feet) to 5.46 metres (17.91 feet) in order to permit the construction of a single family dwelling. This represents a variance of 0.54 metres (1.78 feet).

<sup>&</sup>quot;Section 6.1.7.1 - Height of Buildings

## ZONING REGULATIONS:

This property is included in the Single Family Residential Zone (RS-1) and the appeal seeks to vary the following provisions of the "City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw 4000":

"Section 6.1.6.1 - Yard Requirements

A front yard of not less than 6 metres (19.69 feet) shall be provided."

#### DISCUSSION

Mr. Dwane Bell (5275 Toms Turnabout) appeared in support of the appeal.

## **DECISION**

MOVED by Jim Galloway, SECONDED by Amarjit Minhas that the appeal be **approved**. OPPOSED: Allan Dick

Approval is subject to a building permit being issued within 6 months (2009-December-18<sup>th</sup>).

CARRIED

6. *APPEAL:* BOV00508

APPLICANT: Judith Anne West

LOCATION: Legal Description: LOT: 2 BLOCK: 8 SECTION: 1 PLAN:

5624

Civic Address: 40 Irwin Street

**PURPOSE:** The applicant is requesting that the side yard setback, as shown in the survey provided, be reduced from 1.5 metres (4.9 feet) to 1.15 metres (3.76 feet), in order to permit a recently reconstructed deck in a side-yard. This represents a variance of 0.35 metres (1.14 feet).

## **ZONING REGULATIONS:**

This property is included in the Single Family Residential Zone (RS-1A) and the appeal seeks to vary the following provisions of the "City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw 4000":

"Section 6.1.6.2 - Yard Requirements

Side yards shall be provided with a minimum width of 1.5 metres (4.92 feet) for each side yard. In the case of a corner lot, the side yard adjoining the flanking street shall not be less than 3 metres (9.84 feet)."

Please note: Section 911 (9) and (10) of the Local Government Act, which states:

"If the use and density of buildings and structures conform to a bylaw under this division... but the siting, size or dimensions of a building or structure constructed before the bylaw was adopted does not conform with the bylaw, ... the building or structure ... may be maintained, extended or altered ... only to the extent that the repair, extension or alteration would, when completed, involve no further contravention of the bylaw than that existing at the time the repair, extension or alteration was started."

## DISCUSSION

Judith Anne West (3069 Alan-A-Dale Place) appeared in support of the appeal.

# **DECISION**

MOVED by Allan Dick, SECONDED by Janet Cowling that the appeal be **denied**. In SUPPORT: Amarjit Minhas

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APPLICANT: Jody McCormick

LOCATION: Legal Description: BAY 19, MHR 22578, MODULINE MH, LD

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Civic Address: Unit #19 1226 Lawlor Road

**PURPOSE:** The applicant is requesting that the side yard setback, as shown in the survey provided, be reduced from 1.5 metres (4.9 feet) to 0.1 metres (0.32 feet), in order to permit the siting of a Mobile Home. This represents a variance of 1.4 metres (4.58 feet).

# **ZONING REGULATIONS:**

This property is included in the Mobile Home Park Subdivision Zone – (RM-8) and the appeal seeks to vary the following provisions of the "City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw 4000":

"Section 7.8.6.3. – Individual Mobile Home Lot Side yards of not less than 1.5 metres (4.92 feet) for each side yard shall be provided."

## DISCUSSION

Ms. Charlene Stevens, (#18, 1226 Lawlor Road), Ms. Laura Page (#20, 1226 Lawlor Road) appeared in opposition of the appeal. Ms. Patricia Wilson (#9, 1226 Lawlor Road) appeared as a neutral observer to the appeal.

# **DECISION**

MOVED by Jim Galloway, SECONDED by Allan Dick that the appeal be denied.

**CARRIED** 

# 11. <u>ATTENDANCE</u>

It was determined that all members be in attendance for the meeting to be held 2009-JUL-16.

# 12. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Janet Cowling, SECONDED by Amarjit Minhas that the meeting be adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

CARRIED

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Chairperson, Board of Variance

Secretary, Board of Variance

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Bylaw Services Department
Cam Scott, Communications Officer
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