

Chairman Tom Foster opened the meetings of the Jonesborough Board of Zoning Appeals and the Jonesborough Planning Commission, Josh Conger led the group in an opening Prayer, and Terry Countermine led the Pledge to the Flag.

## **JONESBOROUGH BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS**

### **MINUTES**

**June 20, 2023**

The Jonesborough Board of Zoning of Appeals met in regular meeting on Tuesday, June 20, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., in the Board Room at Town Hall, 123 Boone Street, Jonesborough, Tennessee.

**Members Present:** Tom Foster – Chairman, Frank Collins, Josh Conger, Terry Countermine, Bill Graham, Richie Hayward, Jim Rhein, Nick Vest

**Members Absent:** Hal Knight

**Staff Present:** Todd Wood, Engineer, Donna Freeman

Chairman Tom Foster noted a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

#### **1. Approval of Minutes – Meeting of May 16, 2023**

The minutes of the May 16, 2023 Board of Zoning Appeals meeting was presented for approval. Chairman Tom Foster asked Commissioners if they had any questions or corrections to the minutes. There being none, Jim Rhein made the motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Nick Vest and duly passed.

#### **2. Variance Request to the Rear and Side Yard Setback Requirements for 105 McCall Avenue**

**Presented by: Mike Floyd, Owner**

Request for approval of a variance to the rear and side yard setback requirements, for 105 McCall Ave, as described on Washington County Tax Map 60-A, Group E, Parcel 34.01, and the zoning is R-2 (Medium Density Residential). The variance is from 20 feet to 2 feet for the rear, and 8 feet to 1 foot for the side. Due to the narrowness of the tract of land, McCall Avenue was considered the front setback for planning and permitting purposes. The rear yard is abutting the James Wesley Langley Property at 210 W. Main Street, and the

side yard is abutting the Justin Reilly Property at 208 W. Main Street. A variance sign has been posted at McCall Avenue. The wrap around decking, which is ground level (not raised) is to support Mr. Floyd's physical impairment and to allow him to access the side and rear of the house by using his mobility scooter and/or wheelchair; and was noted that the Historic Zoning Commission has approved the deck.

Chairman Foster read the staff recommendation that due to the significant narrowness and topographic challenges of the tract of land, to support Mr. Mike Floyd's physical impairment, and that the decking is ground level, there does not appear that the variances would be detrimental to other property owners, therefore the recommendation is to approve the variance request for the 20 feet to 2 feet for the rear, and 8 feet to 1 foot for the side, as presented. Chairman Foster asked Commissioners if they had any comments or questions, and with there being none called for a motion.

**Motion:** Terry Countermine made the motion to approve the variance for 105 McCall Ave as presented and recommended by staff. Jim Rhein seconded the motion and it was duly passed.

With there being no further business for discussion, Chairman Foster adjourned the meeting.