

# **Auburn Board of Appeals Meeting Minutes August 9, 2018**

## **ROLL CALL:**

**Regular Members present:** Courtney McDonough – Presiding, Lane Feldman, Ken Sonegere, and Dana Staples

**Regular Members absent:** Christopher Gendron and Bruce Richardson

**Associate and other Members present:** Michael Mathieu and Deana Chapman

**Associate and other Members absent:** None

**Also present representing City staff:** Eric Cousens, Deputy Director of Economic & Community Development

Chairperson McDonough called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm. She explained the process of the Board of Appeals meeting and asked for a roll call from the members. She then proceeded to read the appeal for the record.

**Appeal of Kevin and Kelly Lauze, owners of property at 375 Merrow Road. The appellant is requesting variance from Section 60-40 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Auburn. The intent of the appeal is to allow relief from the lot size requirement violation on the abutting parcel preventing the issuance of permits at 375 Merrow Road, PID# 195-024 pursuant to Chapter 60, Article XV of the City of Auburn Zoning Ordinance.**

Chairperson McDonough stated that the 2 Associate Board Members would be elevated to Full Member status for this meeting. She then gave the appellant the choice to either present their case first or following the staff report.

Appellant chose to follow the staff report.

Eric Cousens, Deputy Director of Economic & Community Development, read the staff report.

Sonja Buck, representing the Lauze's presented the appellant's case.

Ken Sonegere stated his opinion about the case and Michael Mathieu informed the Board that he knew the appellant but just as an acquaintance and felt it would have no variance in his voting decision.

## **Open Public Input**

No comments

A motion was made by Ken Sonegere and seconded by Dana Staples to close the public input part of the hearing. After a vote of 6-0-0, the motion carried.

A motion was made by Ken Sonegere and seconded by Dana Staples to approve the variance request of Kevin and Kelly Lauze, owners of property at 375 Merrow Road to allow relief from the lot size requirement violation on the abutting parcel preventing the issuance of permits at 375 Merrow Road, PID# 195-024 pursuant to Chapter 60, Article XV of the City of Auburn Zoning Ordinance.

Ken Sonegere reminded the appellant to promptly have the approved variance letter from staff recorded at the registry of Deeds.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Dana Staples and seconded by Michael Mathieu to adjourn. After a vote of 6-0-0, the motion carried.