Zeeland Charter Township Zoning Board of Appeals July 28, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Walters

Board Members Present: Rich De Leau, Bruce Knoper, Russ Mudget, Dirk Pyle, Jeff Salisbury, Steve Walters and Ben Zwagerman.

Staff Present other than Board Members: Zoning Administrator Kirk Scharphorn Jr.

Motion was made to approve the agenda: Motion Carried

Motion to approve the minutes of December 6, 2018 and August 27, 2019 by Mudget and supported by Zwagerman: Motion Carried

No Public Comment for Items not on the agenda

Chairperson Walters opened the public hearing for Greg VanderWal. Mr. VanderWal requested a variance at 4355 88th Ave. also known as permanent parcel 70-17-06-400-046. The request is to construct an accessory building larger than is permitted by Ordinance. Ordinance permits an accessory building of 1,600 square feet owner is proposing 3,200 for a variance request of 1,600 square feet.

VanderWal- Would like to demolish an existing 40' x 80' detached accessory building and construct a new 40' x 80' accessory building in the same location. The existing building has rot in the posts causing concern of safety. Water also currently runs toward the existing building.

Motion made by Knoper to close public hearing, supported by De Leau: Motion Carried Discussion ensued by the Zoning Board.

Motion made by Pyle to approve the variance request, supported De Leau for the following reasons:

- 1. The request would not be detrimental to neighboring and surrounding properties
- 2. The Variance would not impair the purpose and intent of the Ordinance
- 3. The immediate practical difficulty causing the need for the variance request was not caused by the applicant

Motion Carried: Ayes: De Leau, Walters, Pyle, Knoper / Nayes: Mudget, Zwagerman, Salisbury

Motion to Adjourned by Knoper 2nd by Zwagerman Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Jeff Salisbury, Secretary Kirk Scharphorn, Recording Secretary