

**NEW WHITELAND
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS**

JUNE 22, 2021

6:30 pm

PUBLIC HEARING

Chairman, John Purdie, began the June meeting at 6:25 p.m. Members present were Duane McCauslin, Mike Ryle and John Purdie. Zoning Administrator, Tim Guyer was in attendance. Members Matt Gillock, Pam Paulin, and Attorney, Lee Robbins were not in attendance.

MINUTES:

Duane McCauslin motioned to approve the minutes to the last meeting, which was in April 2021. John Purdie seconded the motion. Vote was 3 affirmative.

VARIANCE 21-V-06

Aaron & Amanda Ohler

Chairman, John Purdie, opened the Public Hearing for Variance 21-V-06.

Applicant, Aaron Ohler stated that earlier this year, he and his wife started building a house at 557 Sunny Lane. They currently live on Melrose Drive in New Whiteland. Prices have increased since plans were submitted to the Town. Aaron Ohler is requesting a variance to allow him to pave the first 20' of his driveway coming from Sunny Lane and allow the rest of the driveway to be gravel for the next five years. After five years, he will make it concrete and be in compliance with the Town's Ordinance pertaining to driveways.

One of the reasons for this request is that they plan on building a garage in the future and don't want to tear up a concrete driveway with heavy construction. Aaron Ohler stated to the board that they had been under budget and now they find themselves \$8,000.00 over budget. They have to pay the contractor out of pocket. He is just asking for some extra time.

The board consulted with Lee Robbins by phone.

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VARIANCE 21-V-06

Aaron & Amanda Ohler (continued)

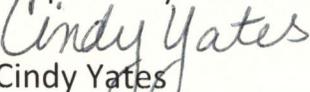
Debbie Tharp who resides at 556 Sunny Lane stated that she is not happy with the construction mess. Aaron Ohler addressed it and said unfortunately that comes with construction, and that it will be temporary. Danka Toro who resides at 27 Rypma Row stated that she is in favor of the gravel driveway.

Duane McCauslin motioned to approve Variance 21-V-06 as written with the exception of a 12' wide driveway and 20' inside the property lines. Variance allows Aaron and Amanda Ohler to have approximately 160' of driveway at #53 stone for five years. By June 22nd, 2026 the driveway will be hard surface using concrete. Mike Ryle seconded the motion. Vote was 3 affirmative.

John Purdie adjourned the meeting at 7:12 p.m.


Approved By:

Respectfully submitted:


Cindy Yates
Recording Secretary