

GRAND RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
JANUARY 13, 2004

A meeting of the Grand Rapids Charter Township Zoning Board of Appeals was called to order at 7:35 p.m: with the following present: Chairman Ronald J. Hall, Lee VanPopering, Beverly Wall, and George Orphan. Absent was David VanDyke.

1. Approval of the November 11, 2003 minutes.

Lee VanPopering, seconded by, Beverly Wall moved to approve the minutes with one spelling correction. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Tom Bos of Groeneweg Builders, on behalf of property owners of 2910 Coppergrove Drive NE.

Tom Bos spoke regarding his request for a variance to allow for a newly constructed home to remain 2 feet 11 inches from the side lot line, rather than the required 7 feet. He explained that the house was placed incorrectly according to stakes that were staked incorrectly.

Public Comments:

James Hopewell, 2890 Coppergrove Drive, representing the Site Condominium Association, made a comment that the Association has not had a request made to them for this matter. The Board made a comment that if the development is not 90% done then this does not apply.

Eddie Lampton, 2900 Coppergrove Drive, next door neighbor spoke regarding the hardship this mistake causes him. He also stated that he noticed this problem this summer when they started to frame in the home and brought this to builder Steve Groeneweg's attention.

Lee VanPopering stated that he feels that this is just plain sloppy workmanship. George Orphan stated that he agreed with Lee and that this house does not fit in the spacing of the neighborhood.

Ron Hall gave a summary of the history of these kinds of requests in the Township. Lee VanPopering, seconded by George Orphan, moved to table this issue to have the neighbors talk about a possible lot line adjustment between 2900 and 2910 Coppergrove Dr. and if nothing can be resolved then to come back to the next scheduled Zoning Board meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58.

Respectful Submitted
David Van Dyke