

TOWN OF EMERALD ISLE
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2006

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 AM by Chairman Mike Johnson, members present were: Chairman Johnson, Russell Adams, Bob Stanley, Jerry Stockdale and Mark Brennesholtz. Also attending were alternate members Pete Watcher and Planning Director, Kevin Reed.

The minutes of the last regular meeting of June 8, 2005 were considered for approval. A motion was made by Mr. Adams to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stockdale and passed unanimously.

Case 06-V-01. A request by James Leroy Henderson for a variance to Section 19-101, Paragraph 6 of the Town Code in order to allow for the construction for the construction of a porch lift which would extend into the required 15-foot front yard setback. The property is located at 7128 Sound Drive. Mr. Henderson was sworn in by Mr. Reed. Mr. Henderson state that both he and his wife were in need of a lift to get from the ground level to second level of their home. He indicated that they attempted to install an interior lift but that was not practical. He then indicated that they began exploring options for the placement of an outdoor lift and determined that the east side of the home was the best location. In order to accommodate their plans for the placement of the lift, Mr. Henderson indicated that the lift would be 8 feet from his side property line thus necessitating a variance of 7 feet. There were a number of questions raised by members of the Board regarding whether or not there was other locations around the dwelling where the lift could be placed that would not require a variance. Mr. Henderson explained to the Board members why other options were not feasible or practical.

There being no further questions by the Board. Chairman Johnson asked for a written ballot to be taken that would allow for 48" by 52" porch lift to be installed within 7 feet of the side property line with the support structure and lift to remain uncovered. The ballot was 5 to 0 to grant the variance.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Brennesholtz. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stockdale and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by

Kevin B. Reed, Secretary
Town of Emerald Isle Board of Adjustment