

located a minimum distance of 7.81 metres from the rear lot line. It should be noted that the lands are zoned Residential (R3) in the former Township of Collingwood Zoning By-law No. 83-40; and that Schedule 'AA' of the By-law requires a minimum rear yard setback of 9.0 metres for the single detached dwelling within the Residential (R3) Zone.

The land affected by this application is described as Lot 112, Plan 896; (144 Chamonix Crescent).

Secretary/Treasurer stated that the Public Notice was circulated in accordance with the Planning Act. The Notice was provided to the applicant's agent and was posted on the subject property.

Comments were received from the following:

Grey County Planning Dept. – no concerns;

Grey Sauble Conservation Authority – no objection;

Historic Saugeen Metis – no further interest in the matter;

TOTBM Planning Dept. – no objection.

Chairman Waind then opened the meeting up to the public.

Colin Travis, agent for the applicant, was in attendance. He stated that the chalet has been in existence for many years and that due to the applicant selling it became apparent through a survey that the rear yard is deficient.

No other members of the public were in attendance to speak either in favour or in opposition to the application. Chairman Waind then closed the public portion of the meeting.

Moved by: Bill Remus

Seconded by: Bob Waind

"THAT the Committee of Adjustment GRANT Minor Variance Application No. A04-2010 in order to permit the existing single detached dwelling to be located a minimum distance of 7.81 metres from the rear lot line on the subject property.

CONDITIONS: NIL

REASON FOR DECISION:

The Committee is satisfied that the application meets the four tests for minor variance, as noted in the Planning Staff Report PL.10.31". Carried.

D. Correspondence: none

E. New & Unfinished Business:

1. New Draft Committee of Adjustment Report

This was a draft two page 'check list' report that David Finbow, Director of Planning and Building proposed to the Committee in an effort to reduce planning staff's time and to be more efficient in preparing detailed reports but still providing the required and pertinent information to the Committee in order to assist in their decision making.

After reviewing the draft check list and brief discussion, the Committee members were hesitant in relying on this type of 'check list' due to the fact that should an application be appealed to the Ontario Municipal Board, the information in the report may not be detailed enough for the Board in their decision making. It was thought that the Board is no longer a 'trial de novo' and this would hinder the decision making process.

Committee members would prefer the same type of report that is currently being prepared but noted that it could be reduced down to perhaps one or two sentences per subject heading. If the check list is to be used perhaps a Schedule "A" could be attached with more detailed information, i.e. what the surrounding area consists of, etc.

The Secretary/Treasurer will circulate the draft 'check list' report to Shiela Metras who was absent from the meeting for her information. Comments from the Committee members are to be forwarded to David Finbow.

F. Next Meeting Date – May 20, 2010

G. Adjournment:

Moved by: Bill Remus

Seconded by: Bob Waind

THAT this Committee of Adjustment meeting now be adjourned. Carried.