

TOWN OF ABINGDON  
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS  
REGULAR MEETING  
APRIL 9, 1996 - 7:30 P.M.

A regular meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals was held Tuesday, April 9, 1996 at 7:30 P.M. The meeting was held in the Municipal Building, Downstairs Meeting Room.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. James M. Cole, Chairman.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mr. James P. Cole, Chairman  
Mr. Robert P. Connett, Vice-Chairman  
Mr. Fred H. St. John  
Mr. Louis Shuman

Comprising a quorum of the Board

Members Absent: Mrs. Margaret Henderson

Administrative Staff: Mr. Albert C. Bradley, Director of Planning/Zoning

Visitors: Mr. Robert E. Johnson

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(2) Approval of Minutes - Regular Meeting, December 12, 1995

On motion by Mr. Connett, seconded by Mr. St. John, it was unanimously resolved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held December 12, 1995.

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(3) Case No. 333 - Thelma H. Johnson, 122 N. Oxford Street, Abingdon, Virginia 24210; application for variance from the requirements of Article 17, Section 17-12, Corner Lots, in the R-3, Residential District of the Town of Abingdon Zoning Ordinance. Tax Map No. 6 (19) 1.

This application is a request for a variance from Article 17, Section 17-12, Corner Lots, in the R-3, Residential District, of the Town of Abingdon Zoning Ordinance.

Date of application is March 26, 1996, requesting a regular meeting scheduled for this date, April 9, 1996.

Mrs. Johnson, applicant, was represented by her son, Robert E. Johnson, who is authorized to do so by a power of attorney.

All adjoining and adjacent property owners were notified of this hearing. Mr. Bradley noted that a telephone call was received from adjacent property owner, Mr. Robert Vestal, however, after explanation of the request for variance, he had no objections to the request.

The explanation of request for variance is for the use of a prospective new owner to enable them to make an addition to the house along the north property line, extending the existing north wall. Such wall would have a setback of no less than six feet from the right of way line of the end of Valley Street which parallels this property.

This request is for a variance from Section 17-12, Corner Lots, the ordinance requirement is 20 feet; amount requested by applicant is 6 feet; a variance of 14 feet or 70%.

After discussion, motion was made by Mr. Connett that the request in Case No. 333 be approved, with a limitation of 24 feet in length, because the portion of Valley Street in question is not extendible as a through street and without a variance would present a hardship to property owner. The motion seconded by Mr. Shuman, with unanimous approval.

**VOTE:**

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| Mr. Connett  | Aye |
| Mr. Shuman   | Aye |
| Mr. St. John | Aye |

There being no further business, motion was made by Mr. St. John, seconded by Mr. Shuman, that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 7.52 P.M.

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James M. Cole, Chairman

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Margaret Henderson, Secretary