

**MERRILLVILLE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 2023
6:30 PM**

Chairman Ric Holtz called the meeting of the Merrillville Board of Zoning Appeals to order at 6:30 PM to order and then led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Members in attendance were Chairman Ric Holtz, Vice Chairman Tim Fortier, Mr. William Byers, and Mr. Andrew Slywestrowicz.

MINUTES: APRIL 26, 2023

Mr. Tim Fortier made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. William Byers seconded the motion. The Board voted 4 – 0 to approve the minutes.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None

COMMENTS FROM CHAIRMAN

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Z11E7-0523 ELVIRA MARTINEZ PETITIONER AND INDIANA LAND TRUST FKS LAKE COUNTY LAND TRUST, TRUST #6329

Located at 1452 East 85th Avenue

Request: Special Exception Approval from Section 21-136 to Allow Dental Assistant Training on 0.562 acres in a C-3, Highway Commercial Zoning District

Purpose: To Allow a Dental Assistant Training Program

The petitioner stated that the training will take place on Wednesdays and Fridays, the course is six months with two hundred hours and that she will be the instructor of the course.

Vice Chairman Tim Fortier made a motion to approve this petition for this petitioner only, for this location only, and for this use only. The motion was seconded by Mr. Andrew Sylwestrowicz. The Board voted 4 – 0 to approve this petition.

2. Z12V2-0523 PHILLIP MUELLENS, SR. PETITIONER AND OWNER

Located at 5510 Chase Street

Request: Variance of Development Standards from Section 21-77(a)(3) On 1.6 acres in a R-1, Residential Zoning District

Purpose: To Allow a Second Garage

The petitioner stated that he is requesting a second garage for storage of a riding mower and vehicles. The proposed garage will have electric and will have a concrete floor with an asphalt paved driveway leading to the garage.

Vice Chairman Tim Fortier made a motion to approve this petition. Mr. William Byers seconded the motion. The Board voted 4 – 0 to approve this petition.

OTHER BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Andrew Sylwestrowicz made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. William Byers seconded the motion. The Board voted 4 – 0 to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marie Wilson,
Recording Secretary