

**ROSE TOWNSHIP CONSTRUCTION BOARD OF APPEALS**  
**April 6, 2016**

The following residents and guests signed in as present:

Linda Dagenhardt      Tom Willwerth      Donna Boshell      Darlyne Stanczyk  
Don Walls              Diane Scheib-Snyder

Other(s) present: Susan Weaver (recording secretary), John Mulvihill, Esq. (Township Attorney)  
Debbie Miller (Clerk), Paul Gambka (Supervisor), Craig Strong (Building Official), Douglas Smith  
(Deputy Fire Chief) David Plewes,

President McGee called the meeting of the Rose Township Construction Board of Appeals to order at  
5:00 p.m. at the Rose Township Hall, 9080 Mason Street, Rose Township, Michigan.

Board Members Present: McGee, Gilbert, Wojtaszek

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**A. Approval of Proposed Agenda for January 13, 2016**

Moved by Wojtaszek, seconded by Gilbert, motion carried to approve the Agenda as published.

Voting Yes: McGee, Wojtaszek, Gilbert  
Voting No: None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

None.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

Steve McGee nominated as President. Mr. Gilbert was nominated as Vice President

Voting Yes: McGee, Wojtaszek, Gilbert  
Voting No: none

**Communications**

- A. 3940 Demode Rd., Mr. & Mrs. Wyman Application
- B. Section 13 Board of Appeals, Michigan Building Code
- C. Section 903.2.1.2(2) Automatic Sprinkler Systems, Michigan Building Code

**Hearing on request for Rodney and Antoinette Wyman**

- A. To allow alternative safeguards

Deputy Fire Chief Smith explained that this is an A2 structure as defined by building code and requires an automatic sprinkler system. However after meeting with the Wyman family, the building official and various other entities Mr. Smith has determined that a sprinkler system in this structure may be unnecessary as long as the occupancy stays at 199 people or less. He has determined a list of 10 requirements (document on file at the office of the Rose Township Clerk) that the family may fulfill to help alleviate the sprinkler system requirements. Mr. Smith said the family has already complied with

most of these suggestions/requirements.

Building Official Craig Strong stated that he has inspected the building and agrees with the fire chief. The only requirement he asked them to do was to add a handrail on the stairs to the mezzanine; Mr. Wyman said he has already taken care of that.

Mr. Wojtaszek asked if smoke detectors could be added to the building and that is the only way he would vote in favor of eliminating the sprinkler system. The alarms would at least alert people to get out while a sprinkler system is intended to save the building itself; he doesn't care about the building, he cares about getting people out of the structure. There should be enough smoke detectors to cover the whole building square footage and installed to manufacturers specification which will give them that square footage amount.

Resident – Linda Dagenhardt said the building has electricity and no electrical permits were pulled. She said people always blame fires on electrical wiring and she believes they should have to have a permit and have the electrical inspected properly.

- **Motion by McGee to approve the request by the Wyman's for 3940 Demode Rd with the stipulations following the letter dated October 28, 2015 by Deputy Fire Chief Doug Smith with the 10 items listed for fire improvement requirements with the only modification under item #8 and for this year only, 2016 where it addresses fire alarms this would meet the fire departments intent as discussed with smoke detectors. Going forward after January 1, 2017 have an approved NFPA 72 fire alarm system with pull stations and all the requirements; also any permits that might be required by the Building Department. Motion seconded by Mr. Gilbert.**

**Voting Yes: McGee, Gilbert Wojtaszek**

**Voting No: none**

**Meeting adjourned at 5:44 pm**



**Debbie Miller, MMC, CMMC**  
**Rose Township Clerk**

Approved/Corrected