

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS & APPEALS
THE CITY OF STARKVILLE, MISSISSIPPI
MAY 23, 2018**

The Board of Adjustments & Appeals held their meeting at 4:00 PM on May 23, 2018, in the Community Development Department at City Hall. Members present were Kim Moreland Ward 1, Jerry Jefferson Ward 2, Bo Richardson Ward 3, Robert Camp Ward 4, Marco Nicovich Ward 5, and Shawn Sullivan Ward 7. Absent from the meeting was Chairman Bill Webb, Ward 6. Attending the Board members were the City Planner Daniel Havelin, Assistant City Planner Emily Corban, and Community Development Director Buddy Sanders.

A CONSIDERATION OF THE WRITTEN AGENDA

**OFFICIAL AGENDA
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS & APPEALS
CITY OF STARKVILLE, MISSISSIPPI
MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 2018
2ND FLOOR CITY HALL – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT,
110 West Main Street, 4:00 PM**

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. CONSIDERATION OF THE OFFICIAL AGENDA
- IV. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:
 - A. Consideration of the unapproved minutes for March 28, 2018
- V. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. VA 18-02 Request by John Tomlinson for Variance relief from sidewalk and street design requirements for a proposed subdivision located on the south side of Highway 182 +/-530' east of the intersection with Stark Road in an R-E zone with the parcel # 102D-00-015.00.
- VI. PLANNER REPORT
- VII. ADJOURN

The Board considered the matter of approval of the written agenda dated May 23, 2018. Upon the motion of Ms. Moreland seconded by Mr. Jefferson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the written agenda.

**CONSIDERATION FOR APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF
THE SPECIAL CALL MEETING OF MARCH 28, 2018**

After discussion and upon the motion of Mr. Camp, duly seconded by Ms. Moreland, the motion to approve the Minutes of the March 28, 2018 Special Call Board of Adjustments and Appeals meeting received unanimous approval.

NEW BUSINESS

**A. CONSIDERATION OF VA 18-02 REQUEST BY JOHN TOMLINSON FOR
VARIANCE RELIEF FROM SIDEWALK AND STREET DESIGN
REQUIREMENTS FOR A PROPOSED SUBDIVISION LOCATED ON THE
SOUTH SIDE OF HIGHWAY 182 +/-530' EAST OF THE INTERSECTION
WITH STARK ROAD IN AN R-E ZONE WITH THE PARCEL # 102D-00-
015.00.**

City Planner Daniel Havelin introduced the case. The applicant is proposing to develop a 15-lot subdivision on property he currently owns along the south side Highway 182. Part of the concept for the development is to create large lots with a rural feel. To accomplish this, the applicant is requesting relief from part of the sidewalk requirements and the standard street design requirements. Due to issues with slope and existing infrastructure that would have to be modified, the applicant is requesting to not be required to place sidewalks along Highway 182 from property line to property line. The applicant is also requesting relief from the requirement to place a 5' sidewalk on both sides of the road in the proposed development. The proposed plan has a 6' sidewalk on at least one side of the road throughout the development. The proposed street design also requires variances

from street width, typical curb design and storm drainage standards. The 2016 Comprehensive Plan lists the property's placetype as Rural Neighborhood. The Rural Neighborhood placetype recommends low density neighborhoods. The applicant attended a Development Review Committee meeting on May 17, 2018. If the requests for Variance are recommended for approval, the applicant's requests will be heard by the Board of Aldermen at the June 5, 2018 meeting.

36 property owners of record within 300 feet of the subject property were notified directly by mail of the request. A public hearing notice was published in the Starkville Daily News May 7, 2018. As of this date, the Planning Office has received 1 phone call and 1 office visit requesting information about the request.

Vice-Chairman Nicovich opened the public hearing.

Representing the applicant, Mr. Saunders Ramsey, came forward to speak in favor of the request.

Ms. Kay Shurden came forward to express concern about traffic issues on Hwy 12.

Ms. Maria Peterson came forward to express concern about the preservation of the existing canopy cover on the subject property.

Calling for and receiving no other comments, the Board Chair closed the public hearing. After discussion among the Board Members, Mr. Bo Richardson moved to approve all four variance requests which was seconded by Ms. Kim Moreland, and the Board voted 7 to 0 to approve VA 18-02 request #1, #2, #3, and #4.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board of Adjustments & Appeals, the Board adjourned the meeting.

Marco Nicovich, Vice-Chair

Daniel Havelin, City Planner