

**TOWN OF LONGBOAT KEY
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 10, 2011 MEETING**

The meeting of the Zoning Board of Adjustment was called to order by Vice Chairman Aitken at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 10, 2011.

Members Present: Vice Chairman Andrew Aitken, Secretary Charles Fuller, Members Gaele Barthold, Kenneth Schneier, Edward Zunz

Members Absent: Chairman Ben Feole, Member Sally Boynton

Also Present: Kelly Martinson, Assistant Town Attorney; Monica Simpson, Planning, Zoning & Building Director, Steve Schield, Planner; Donna Chipman, Office Manager

Ms. Chipman swore all those testifying at this hearing.

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Barthold made a MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 11, 2010, ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MEETING AS WRITTEN; seconded by Mr. Zunz and approved by a roll call vote:

AITKEN:	AYE	BARTHOLD:	AYE
FULLER:	AYE	SCHNEIER:	AYE
ZUNZ:	AYE		

Agenda Item 1. Petition #6-10 by Francis R. Trulaske requesting a Variance from Section 158.150(D)(1) and 158.145 of the Town of Longboat Key Zoning Code to reduce the required gulf waterfront yard from the required 150 feet to 60 feet as measured from the Town's Erosion Control Line, and increase the maximum lot coverage from 25 percent to 36 percent, to allow for a second story addition to the existing home, for property located at 3037 Gulf of Mexico Drive.

Vice Chair Aitken referred to the letter, dated February 2, 2011, received from the applicant's agent requesting a continuance of the hearing until the March 17, 2011, meeting since a quorum of the full board was not available at this hearing. Mr. Fuller asked if the continuance to the March meeting would be sufficient for staff. Steve Schield, Planner, commented that the applicant had provided supplemental material, which was included in the agenda packet; the continuance request was based on the number of board members available for this meeting.

Ms. Barthold addressed the issue of the continuance, which was to have a full board in attendance, by noting that she will not be available for the March meeting as she had made plans, which were finalized in December, to travel that week. She asked if it would be possible to explore other dates for the meeting, possibly the week of February 28th or the week of March 21st. Monica Simpson, Planning, Zoning & Building Director, noted another option was to continue the hearing to the April meeting. Ms. Barthold asked if the board wished to continue to a date certain in April, and then if it did not work out, they could reschedule again. Kelly Martinson, Assistant Town Attorney, suggested the board could grant a further continuance, if needed, at the April meeting, and if there was not a full board, then they could move forward at that time.

Ms. Barthold made a MOTION TO CONTINUE PETITION 6-10 TO THE APRIL 14, 2011, ZBA MEETING; seconded by Mr. Fuller.

Mr. Zunz voiced concern with continuing to April if there was not a full board in attendance at that time. He suggested continuing to the next meeting in March, and then if needed, continue again to a future date. Ms. Barthold commented the board knew for certain there would not be a full board in attendance at the March meeting. Mr. Schield pointed out that if the board delayed the petition to the March meeting, the applicant still had the choice of requesting a continuance to April if needed. Ms. Barthold asked if the board could continue the petition to April with a proviso that the board would attempt to find a date in March when all board members would be available. Ms. Simpson responded that if the applicant wished to do so they would be responsible for re-advertising.

Motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item 2. Petition #1-11 by John F. Bass III Trust requesting a Variance from Section 158.150(D)(1) of the Town of Longboat Key Zoning Code to reduce the required gulf waterfront yard from the required 150 feet to 85 feet, 1 inch as measured from the Town's Erosion Control Line to allow for construction of a new single-family home, for property located at 3475 Gulf of Mexico Drive.

Vice Chair Aitken referred to the letter, dated February 8, 2011, received from the applicant's agent requesting a continuance of the hearing until the March 17, 2011, ZBA meeting to allow the applicant additional time to respond to the staff report.

Ms. Barthold made a MOTION TO CONTINUE PETITION 1-11 TO THE MARCH 17, 2011, ZBA MEETING; seconded by Mr. Fuller and approved by a unanimous vote.

Setting Future Meeting Date.

The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for Thursday, March 17, 2011.

Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Fuller, Secretary
Zoning Board of Adjustment