

Richlands Board of Zoning Appeals Public Hearing

July 25, 2023

Board Members Present:

Gene Hurst Jr., Chairman

Bill Patton

Barry Alley

Town Staff Present:

Clarence Monday

Billy Shelton

Gene-The meeting was called to order by Gene Hurst. The purpose of the meeting was for a variance request from Anna Ward of placing a carport/garage structure closer to the roadway than the 30 feet setback regarding the R-2 Use Regulations of the Land Use Ordinance Chapter 154 Section 053 near home addressed as 2341 Third Street, Richlands VA 24641. Anna I will let you all speak on this matter.

Anna - I want a single carport facing the road going 20 feet towards Third Street. I would like to have it going that direction for placement.

Gene - You would have to turn it to where you could only go 12 feet towards Third Street and 20 feet towards alley way.

Anna- I was wanting it to go the other way.

Gene- You would not be able to do that because of being so close to the roads right of ways. That is not what you told me the other day when I spoke to you.

Barry- If you placed it the way you are asking you would be in the town roadway.

Anna- I don't think 12 feet would cover my cars. I was thinking if the carport was turned I would have to pull in from the alleyway.

Barry- If there are not sides on the carport you should be able to pull in from Third Street depending on how the carport is structured. You would not need a 20 feet carport for just 1 car as this would cover 2 vehicles.

Gene- We are just trying to help you out but being in the right of way cannot happen. We are not saying this is approved yet but will let you know tomorrow.

Anna- What would be the problem? I mean would you vote on this?

Gene- Yes, we will need to vote on this variance. Unless you have any questions for us.

Anna- No you have answered my questions. I will just need to find someone to install this after you have voted on the variance.

Gene- Ok let us vote and talk about this. Anna you all can go on and we will contact you tomorrow.

All- Talked about the issues of being too close to the town roadways.

Barry- I make the motion to approve a variance to allow Ms. Ward to place a carport not to exceed 12 feet from the front of the existing home to Third Street.

Bill- I second that motion.

Gene- All in favor say aye.

All members present "Aye".

Gene-Made motion passed unanimously.

Barry made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Bill Patton; all members present voted "aye" and the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by: Nathan Keen