



# TOWN OF SAUGERTIES

## ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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### Meeting Minutes for February 1, 2010

**Present:** Joe Roberti, Sr., Jeanne Goldberg, Joe Mayone, Brian Sawchuk, Henry Rua, and Samantha Dederick

**Also Present:** Alvah Weeks, Jr. & Bruce Leighton

- Meeting was opened at 7:10pm by Chairman Joe Roberti, Sr.

#### Decision/Workshop:

**9-10-09           Prinz, George & Smith, Ingrid**  
**42 Dooley Drive**  
**Saugerties, NY 12477**

- Mr. Prinz presented the board with plans; however, the board wanted dimensions of the property and of the planned pool and garage.
- Win Morrison spoke to the board on how this project would be beneficial for both the owners and if they ever decided to sell. Mr. Morrison was informed by Jeanne that his discussion was for a Public Hearing not this meeting as a Public Hearing had been closed at the prior meeting.
- This property is non-conforming and pre-existing which means the owners did not have to go in front of the Planning Board. Mr. Prinz wants to go 9ft. past the non-conforming garage.
- Brian Sawchuk's issue is that Mr. Prinz has owned this property for a number of years and he has self created his problem and that he knew of the constraints when buying the property and that he has not supplied enough information to make a decision.
- Jeanne asked if the garage could be built shorter so it fits with the non-conforming dimensions – no because then cars would not fit.
- Henry asked Mr. Prinz if he can bring the garage dimensions down from 27' to 24'. Mr. Prinz said it's possible but it is not what he wants. He wants it to flow and it won't flow if he changes the dimensions.
- Alvah Weeks, Building Inspector, presented Mr. Prinz with a new drawing to move the garage over and back and keep the pool where it is. Then he would be fine and would not need a variance. Therefore, it would go out only a few feet past the pre-existing building and go back 6-8 feet.
- Mr. Prinz mentioned he could do that but then it would infringe on his idea of the deck he wants to put in in the future.
- Mr. Prinz stated that the 20 x 20 pool would not fit then if he moved the dimensions to what Alvah mentioned. He does not want to make the pool smaller.
- Mr. Morrison stated that the pool was designed by Ms. Smith's therapist and that is why it needs to be 20 x 20.
- Henry said make it smaller then you would need less of a variance.
- Jeanne made mention that it is not the board's right to redesign a house or plans and all agreed, they are all suggestions.
- Joe Roberti asked for a vote/motion to be made.
- Joe Mayone made motion to grant the variance primarily because it does not deter from the character of the neighborhood as presented to the Board and he not build out further than the 17' variance.
- Joe Roberti 2<sup>nd</sup> motion made by J. Mayone as requested.

**Prinz Continued:**

- Vote was taken and the motion was defeated and the variance as presented is denied. Other board members feel there are other feasible ways of doing this project.
- Roberti – Yes, Rua – No, Mayone – Yes, Goldberg – No, Sawchuk – No Vote: 3/2.
- Jeanne mentioned to make a motion for a lesser variance, alternative come over 24' of original building line and then can build and not be in front of the ZBA and he'd be in the existing footprint; Mr. Prinz is going for the 17' area variance making it a total of 27' needed because he needs at least 3feet around the pool to maintain it.
- No one is in favor of making another motion.

**Discussion(s):**

1. Jeanne made mention to have the Meeting Minutes for January 4, 2010 regarding Prinz, George (last sentence) to say “deferred until February Meeting,” not “to have a decision ready by February’s Meeting.”
  - Jeanne made motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Roberti to approve as changed, vote taken, all in favor, approve 5/0.
2. All received Planning Board minutes.
3. Jeanne made mention that she will not be at the March 1<sup>st</sup> meeting she will be on vacation and Henry Rua will not be at the March 1<sup>st</sup> meeting either as he will be on vacation too. They will both be back for April’s Meeting.
4. Joe Roberti congratulated Henry Rua for being re-appointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals for another 5 year term.

- Jeanne made the motion to end the meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Roberti, all in favor 5/0.
- Meeting Closed at 8:20pm.

**Next meeting will be held on March 1, 2010 at 7pm**