

OTISCO TOWNSHIP
Preliminary
ZONING BOARD MINUTES for March 12, 2018

- Members Present:** Frank Mason – Chairperson; Laura Staats – Secretary; Glenn Geiger – Alternate; Jon Beyers - Alternate
- Call to Order:** Frank Mason called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- Agenda:** Motion to approve the Agenda as written was supported, passed 3-0
- Approve Minutes:** Minutes from the January 8, 2018 meeting were reviewed and approved, passed 3-0
- Board Reports:** Zoning Administrator, Roger Vander Molen gave a short review for February 2018 and what is new and what is still in progress. See written report.
- Township Board: Frank gave a short review of the previous board meeting regarding the Township Recreation Plan.
- Planning Commission: Frank gave a short review from The Planning Commission and the continued discussion of the Recreation Plan for the Township and Hall.
- Old Business:** None
- New Business:** Regular Meeting closed at 7:08 pm **Public Hearing:** Don Shaffer of 9240 Ingalls Road, property number 130-028-000-090-12 Requested relief from Zoning Ordinances 1.420 and 1.344 in regards to the location of a shed he has placed on the property and the installation of an above ground pool, located between the home and Flat River Trail. Public Hearing closed at 7:20 pm.
- A discussion followed regarding the requested variances to allow the shed to remain in position on the south end of the property and east side of the driveway. Mr. Shaffer has stated that he may consider building a garage in that location in the future and was reminded that it will require an additional variance. The Zoning Board has granted the two variances 1.420 and 1.334 to allow the shed to remain and the pool to remain with the noted exception that Ionia County Road Commission or M-DOT may chose to improve the road in the future and the pool may be required to be removed. Passed 2 - 1
- Public Comment:** Regarding the speed limit on the dirt road, and was told that the law has it set at 55 MPH and the Township does not have the authority to reduce it in that area.
- Member Comment:** None
- Adjourn:** Motion to adjourn was made, and supported, passed 3-0
Meeting adjourned at 7:32PM.
- Next Meeting:** April 9, 2018 @ 7:00 PM Otisco Township Hall
- Proposed Agenda:** Approve March Meeting minutes for Public Hearing on 9240 Ingalls Road, & new Public Hearing for Bentley Road.

Respectfully submitted:
Laura Staats