



**OFFICIAL MINUTES
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS
May 24, 2017**

Members present: Marguerite Erwin, Rudy Soignet, Clarence Savoie and Jacqueline Beary

Members absent: Marshellia Thompson, Alternates Serena Martin and Ronnie Pike

Also Present: Roland Soignet, Zoning Administrator, Liz Guidry, Secretary

Ms. Erwin stated I'll the meeting to order for the Board of Adjustments for May 24, 2017, if everybody would please rise and join me in the Pledge of Allegiance. Thank you, Liz can you do roll call please? Please let the minutes reflect that we do have a quorum present. **You've been furnished with a copy of the April 26th minutes of the Board of Adjustments along with a revision you've been handed to, are there any additions, deletions to the minutes? Mr. Soignet stated no. Mrs. Erwin stated I'll entertain a motion for approval as presented; moved by Mr. Savoie, 2nd by Mr. Soignet, any further discussion on the minute's approval? All in favor please say aye, all members in favor, motion carries as presented.**

Item #5 is to consider a request by Samantha Ordoyne to vary 3' from side yard requirement of 5' to be able to construct front porch at 513 Poplar Street (R-3 Zoning District). Do I have a motion to introduce? Okay, there's a motion to introduce by Mr. Savoie. Is Mrs. Ordoyne in the audience? Mrs. Ordoyne stated yes ma'am. Mr. Erwin stated okay if you would come up to the podium state your name and give us your address and just tell us what you are trying to accomplish here. Mrs. Ordoyne came forward and stated, my name is Samantha Ordoyne, I live at 513 Poplar Street and I really want a front porch swing, but I have to have a front porch first. The house is old it's...the people who came and appraised it when I bought it said it probably pushing 100 and unfortunately it was built almost on the property before ordinances existed I'm assuming, I just really want a front porch that's it. Mrs. Erwin stated okay; and so your front porch as your diagram shows will be in compliance with the setback just not in compliance with the side yard. Mrs. Ordoyne stated yes ma'am. Mrs. Erwin stated but there's nothing that you did to this house that caused this to be out of compliance, is that correct? Mrs. Ordoyne stated no ma'am, that's correct. Mrs. Erwin stated okay, thank you. Mrs. Ordoyne stated you are welcome. Mrs. Erwin stated any questions? Please let the minutes reflect that Mrs. Jacqueline Beary is now present. Any questions? Any questions for Mrs. Ordoyne? Mr. Soignet stated not yet, I will in a second. Mrs. Erwin stated okay, any comments from the public, any comments from the public, one last call any public comments? City? Mr. Roland Soignet stated no. Mrs. Erwin stated none. Mr. Savoie stated with the 20' setback from the road is...from the road that's how it's supposed to be as far as or does she need another variance for that. Mrs. Erwin stated no she doesn't she just meets that side...Mr. Roland Soignet stated no, she's...in fact she's 28' and she's only coming out 8' with the porch, so she'll be 20' from it. Mrs. Beary stated okay. Mrs. Erwin stated and if you see I mean the house was built 2' from the side, I mean it was nothing that Mrs. Ordoyne did to cause the non-compliance. Mrs. Beary stated right. Mr. Savoie stated I understand. Mrs. Ordoyne stated I did ask my neighbor if he minded, if that makes any difference, my neighbor doesn't care and it would be up on his side of the property line. **Mrs. Erwin stated well that's why we have public comments. Any questions? None; I'll entertain a motion for approval, moved by Mr. Savoie for approval of item #5, 2nd by Mr. Soignet. Alright, it's been moved to approve the request by Samantha Ordoyne to vary 3' from the side yard requirement of 5' to be able to construct a front porch at 513 Poplar, any further discussion? All in favor please say aye; all members in favor motion carries.** You can get your permit from Public Works from Mr. Roland. Mrs. Ordoyne stated thank you all so much.

Alright, item #6 is to consider a request by Tommy Savoie to vary 4' from front yard setback requirement of 20' to be able to construct fence between residence and side

property line at 112 Isabelle Place (R-3 Zoning District). Do I have a motion to introduce? Moved by Mr. Soignet to introduce; Mr. Savoie why don't you come up and please state your name and give us your address and tell us what you're trying to do here. Mr. Savoie came forward and state; Tommy Savoie, I live at 119 Isabelle and I own 112 Isabelle. What I want to do is put up a short fence from the corner of the house, it would be 7 ½' to the cement of my neighbor and go down to put like a privacy fence on the property line. Mrs. Erwin stated okay. Mr. Savoie stated the corner of the house is 16' from the road. Mrs. Erwin stated okay and so you're just looking at Mr. Savoie, just even with where you're house starts. Mr. Savoie stated yes ma'am. Mrs. Erwin stated that's what you're looking for, okay great. Comments, questions; no questions okay let me see if there's any public comment. Are there any public comments? Comments on 112 Isabelle, public comments and the last call for public comments. With there being none, Roland and the City is there any problem with granting this? Mr. Roland Soignet stated no, no problem. Mrs. Erwin asked none whatsoever? Mr. Roland Soignet stated no. **Mrs. Erwin stated I'll entertain a motion for approval; moved by Mr. Soignet, 2nd by Mrs. Beary. There's been a motion to approve the request by Tommy Savoie to vary 4' from front yard setback of 20' to be able to construct a fence at 112 Isabelle Street, any further discussion? With there being none, all in favor please say aye, all members in favor motion carries.** You may get your permit. Does that require a permit? Mr. Roland Soignet stated yes. Mr. Savoie stated thank you. Mrs. Erwin stated okay.

Are there any other matters? With there being none this meeting is adjourned.