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#### **BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

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## Sussex County

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#### **AGENDA**

September 19, 2022

6:00 P.M.

#### PLEASE REVIEW MEETING INSTRUCTIONS AT THE BOTTOM OF THE AGENDA\*\*

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

#### **Public Hearings**

Case No. 12737 – Brian Vincent seeks variances from the front yard setback requirement and maximum fence height requirement for a proposed fence around a pool (Sections 115-25, 115-182, and 115-185 of the Sussex County Zoning Code). The property is a through lot located on the northeast side of Springwood Drive within the Lakewood Estates Subdivision. 911 Address: 29727 Springwood Drive, Millsboro. Zoning District: AR-1. Tax Parcel: 133-19.00-355.00

Case No. 12739— Terry Harmon seeks a variance from the minimum lot width requirement (Section 115-42 of the Sussex County Zoning Code). The property is located on the south side of Frankford School Road approximately 0.56 miles from Thatcher Street. 911 Address: 30410 Frankford School Road, Frankford. Zoning District: GR. Tax Parcel: 533-1.00-21.00

Case No. 12740 – David J. Burke seeks variances from the front yard, side yard, and rear yard setback requirements for existing and proposed structures (Sections 115-42, 115-182, and 115-183 of the Sussex County Zoning Code). The property is located on the southeast side of South Bay Shore Drive within the Broadkill Beach Subdivision. 911 Address: 1406 South Bay Shore Drive, Milton. Zoning District: GR. Tax Parcel: 235-4.18-4.00

Case No. 12741– Tori and Greg Leech seek variances from the corner front yard setback requirement and minimum fence height requirement for a proposed fence around a pool (Sections 115-34, 115-182, and 115-185 of the Sussex County Zoning Code). The property is a corner lot located at the corner of Burbage Lane and Cedar Neck Road within the Pine Shores Acres Subdivision. 911 Address: 38656 Burbage Lane, Ocean View. Zoning District: MR. Tax Parcel: 134-5.00-215.01



#### **Additional Business**

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#### -MEETING DETAILS-

In accordance with 29 <u>Del. C.</u> §10004(e)(2), this Agenda was posted on September 12, 2022 at 4:30 p.m. and at least seven (7) days in advance of the meeting.

The Agenda was prepared by the Director of Planning and Zoning and is subject to change to include the additional or deletion of items, including Executive Sessions, which arise at the time of the meeting.

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If any member of the public would like to submit comments electronically, these may be sent to pandz@sussexcountyde.gov. All comments are encouraged to be submitted by 4:30 P.M. on Thursday, September 15, 2022.

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# **Board of Adjustment Application Sussex County, Delaware**

Sussex County Planning & Zoning Department 2 The Circle (P.O. Box 417) Georgetown, DE 19947 302-855-7878 ph. 302-854-5079 fax Case # 12737
Hearing Date \_\_\_\_\_
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Type of Application: (please check all applicable)	SUSSEX COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING
Variance Special Use Exception Administrative Variance Appeal	Proposed Veplacement  Code Reference (office use only)
Site Address of Variance/Special Use Exception: 29727 Springwood Dr, Millsboro, DE 19966	2
Variance/Special Use Exception/Appeal Requested:  I am requesting a variance of the rear yard setback in the replacement between two to four feet inside the rear property line. I am requesting replacing the deteriorated wooden fence, with new vinyl fencing. Wit the fence will be brought back onto property line. Second, is to requeseven foot.	to maintain the fence location when h an exception to the back left corner where
Tax Map #: 133-19.00-355.00	Property Zoning: AR1
Applicant Information  Applicant Name: Brian Vincent  Applicant Address: 29727 Springwood Dr	
City Millsboro State De Zip: 1	9966
	nail: leahvincent77@gmail.com
Owner Information	
Owner Name: Brian Vincent	
Owner Address: 29727 Springwood Dr	0000
City Millsboro State De Zip: 1 Owner Phone #: (919) 921-6521 Owner e-mai	
Agent/Attorney Information	ieanvincent//@gman.com
Agent/Attorney Name:	
Agent/Attorney Address:	× × × × × × × × × × × × × × × × × × ×
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Signature of Owner/Agent/Attorney	
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That there are unique physical circumstances or conditions, including irregularity, narrowness, or shallowness of lot size or shape, or exceptional topographical or other physical conditions peculiar to the particular property and that the exceptional practical difficulty is due to such conditions and not to circumstances or conditions generally created by the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance or Code in the neighborhood or district in which the property is located.

The property is a through lot and the home is set back in the property. A fourty foot set back would put the fence at the edge of the pool, not allowing for the required 3 foot egress from pool. The rear yard elevation is approximately three foot lower then the road behind the lot. The current six foot fence doesn't provide adequate privacy from road traffic that has increased due to increasing development of the area.

#### 2. Cannot otherwise be developed:

That because of such physical circumstances or conditions, there is no possibility that the property can be developed in strict conformity with the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance or Code and that the authorization of a variance is therefore necessary to enable the reasonable use of the property.

The pool on the property is at the fourty foot setback with an eight foot concrete walk space around it. twelve feet from that is the property's well. Between the concrete walk and the current fence are mature trees. Replacing the fence at it's current location will protect well from damage and conserve trees. Code requires a minimum four foot fence around pool for safety, but due to the yard elevation, this height would only be one foot above the elevation of the road way.

#### 3. Not created by the applicant:

That such exceptional practical difficulty has not been created by the appellant.

When property was purchased in 2014, a six foot wooden fence was in place, approximately two to four feet inside of rear property line. The home was a foreclosure and vacant for approximately five years which led to deterioration of the wood, requiring replacement.

#### 4. Will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood:

That the variance, if authorized, will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood or district in which the property is located and nor substantially or permanently impair the appropriate use of development of adjacent property, nor be detrimental to the public welfare.

The fence location will be the same as current and only one foot taller then current. The deteriorated wooden fence will be replaced with vinyl, enhancing the character of the neighborhood. The current fence is not on a road corner and in no way affects road way visibility.

#### 5. Minimum variance:

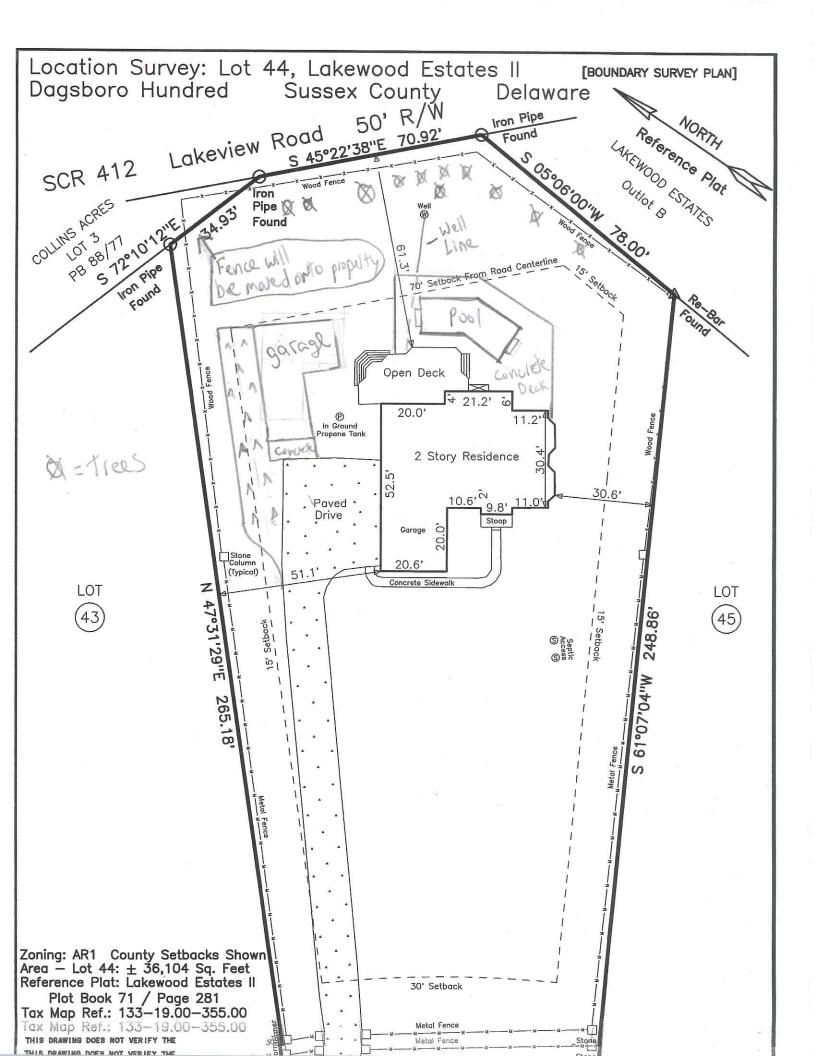
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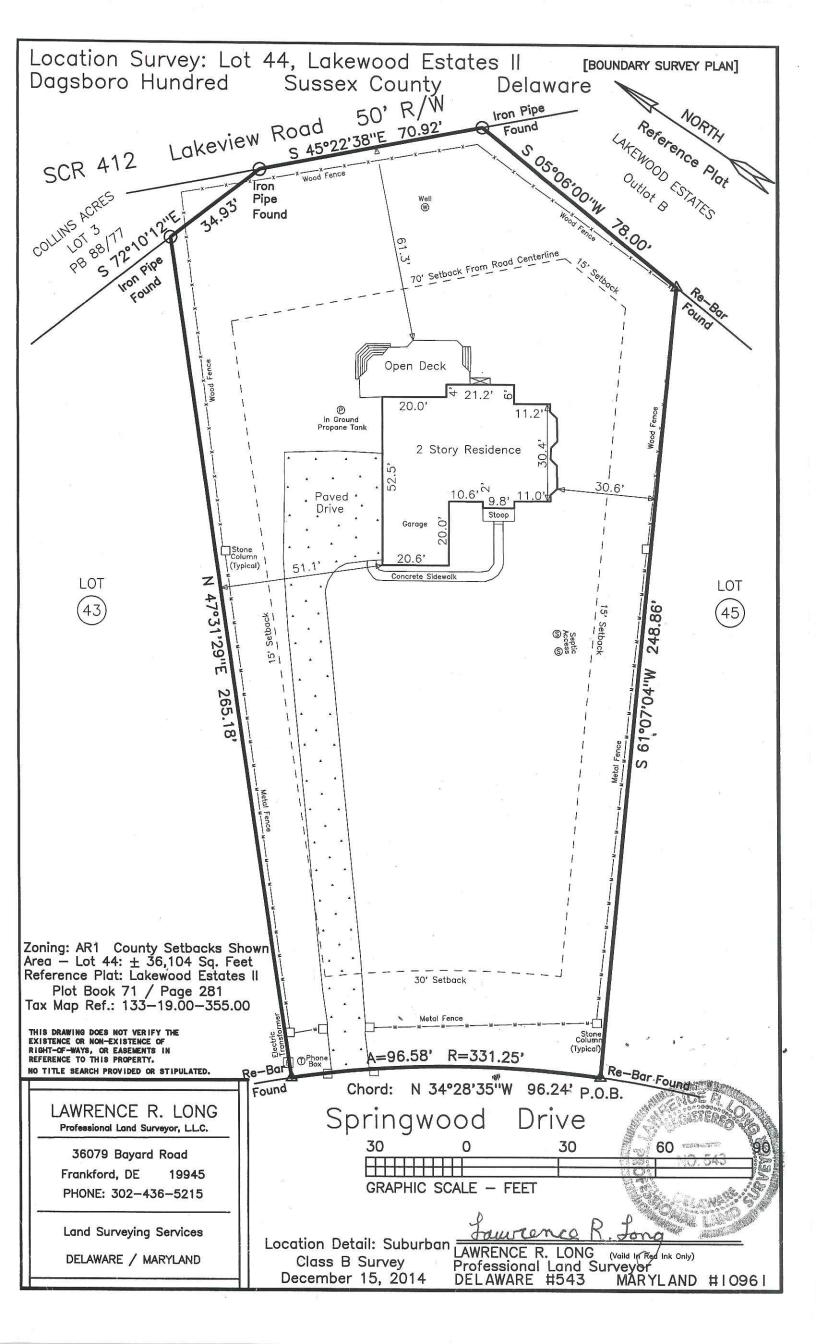
Due to the yard uniqueness, the request to maintain the current fence location and increase the height to seven foot represents the minimum varieance to afford, safety, privacy and fence improvement.

Criteria for a Special	<b>Use Exception:</b>	(Please provide a w	ritten statement re	garding each
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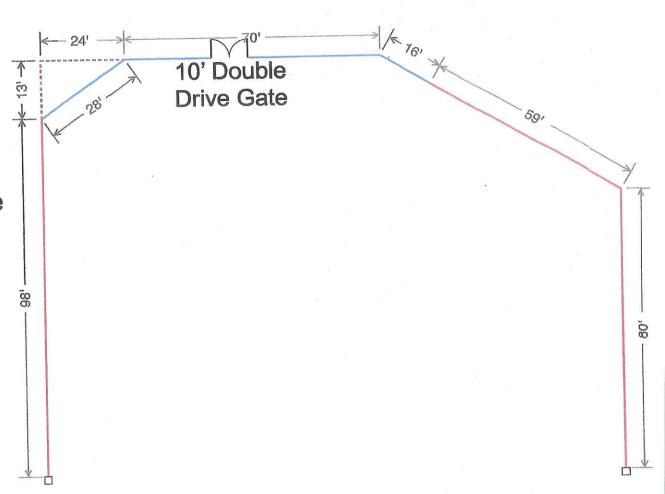
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2. Any other requirements which apply to a specific type of special use exception as required by the Sussex County Code. (Ex. Time limitations – 5 year maximum)
Basis for Appeal: (Please provide a written statement regarding reason for appeal)



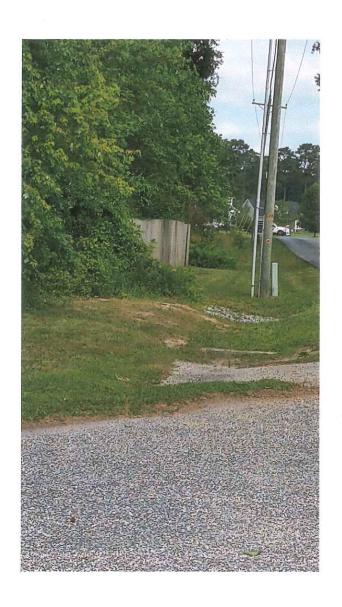


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29727 Springwood Dr
Millsboro DE 19966
Option #2
237' of 6' Hatteras &
104'of 7' Hatteras Style
White Vinyl Privacy Fence
Tare Out and Haul Away
360' Of Existing Wood Fence



Red = 6'

Blue = 7









## Sussex County



PIN:	133-19.00-355.00
Owner Name	VINCENT BRIAN
Book	4351
Mailing Address	29727 SPRINGWOOD DRIV
City	MILLSBORO
State	DE
Description	LAKE WOOD ESTATES
Description 2	LOT 44
Description 3	N/A
Land Code	

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→ Special Access ROW Municipal Boundaries

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Override 1

Tax Parcels

911 Address

- Streets

County Boundaries

#### Tax Ditch Segments

Tax Ditch Channel

DelDOT Maintained

HOA Maintained

Pipe - DelDOT

--- Pipe - Tax Ditch

Pipe - Private

--- Pond Feature

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June 9, 2022

Case # 12739
Hearing Date
2022 08608

# **Board of Adjustment Application Sussex County, Delaware**

Sussex County Planning & Zoning Department 2 The Circle (P.O. Box 417) Georgetown, DE 19947 302-855-7878 ph. 302-854-5079 fax

Type of Application: (please check all applicable)	
Variance  Special Use Exception  Administrative Variance  Appeal	Existing Condition  Proposed Code Reference (office use only)
Site Address of Variance/Special Use Exception: 30410 Frankford School Road, Frankford, Delaware	
Variance/Special Use Exception/Appeal Requested:	
Lot width variance	
Tax Map #: 533-1.00-21.00	Property Zoning: GR
Applicant Information	
Applicant Phone #: 302-490-2052 Applicant e-m  Owner Information Terry A. Harmon To  Owner Name:  Dale Harmon Sherry Harmon	ny A. Harmon
Owner Address: /S City Georgetown State De Zip:	Purchase Date:
Owner Phone #: Owner e-mail	:
Agent/Attorney Information  Agent/Attorney Name: Agent/Attorney Address: City George Fown Agent/Attorney Phone #:  Agent/Attorney Phone #:  Agent/Attorney Information  I on y A. Harm  State Del Zip: Agent/Attorney Agent/Attorney	way beorgtown. Del: 19947
Signature of Owner/Agent/Attorney	•
Tony A. Samon	Date: <u>le/5/22</u>





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The proposed lot is unique in that it is the result of a long history of out conveyances from this, the parent tract to other family members, during the history of the family's ownership.

#### 2. Cannot otherwise be developed:

That because of such physical circumstances or conditions, there is no possibility that the property can be developed in strict conformity with the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance or Code and that the authorization of a variance is therefore necessary to enable the reasonable use of the property.

The proposed lot is the "next to last" access to the public road, not contigous to and saving the last access as the access to Parcel 533-1.00-21.00. The lot width and subsequent road frontage can not be adjusted to conform to the Zoning Code due to prior out conveyances of which the proposed lot is the residual road frontage

#### 3. Not created by the applicant:

That such exceptional practical difficulty has not been created by the appellant.

The situation of the proposed lot has developed due to the settling of Mrs. Catherine Harmon's estate (Owner of Parcel 533-1.00-21.00) and not the applicant.

#### 4. Will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood:

That the variance, if authorized, will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood or district in which the property is located and nor substantially or permanently impair the appropriate use of development of adjacent property, nor be detrimental to the public welfare.

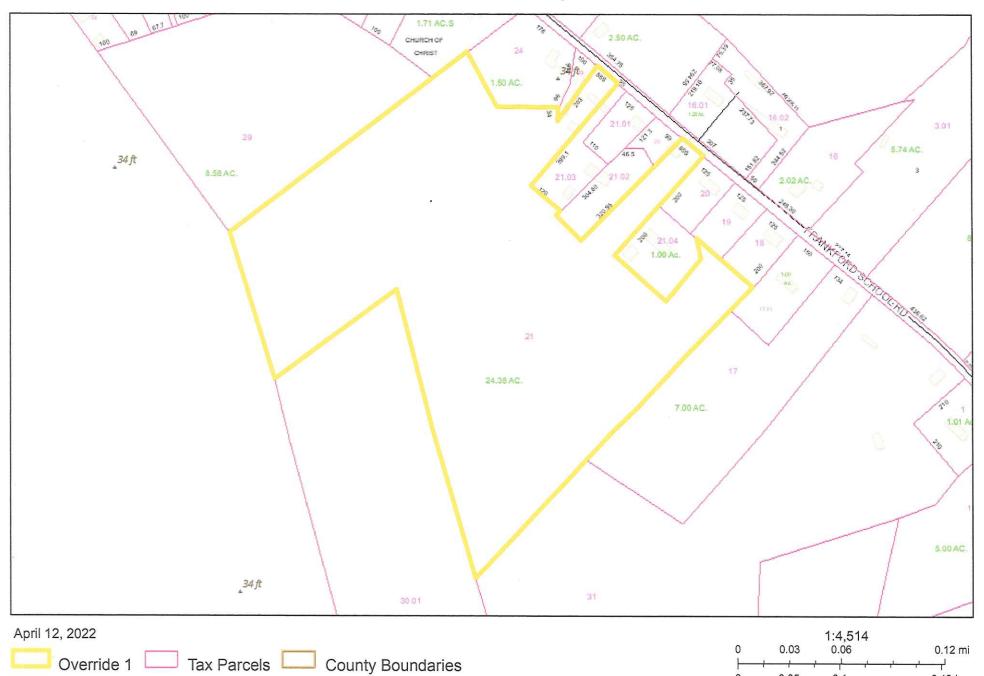
Review of the tax map, aerial photography of the area and/or a site visit would show that the proposed lot will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood.

#### 5. Minimum variance:

That the variance, if authorized, will represent the minimum variance that will afford relief and will represent the least modification possible of the regulation in issue.

The variance that is applied for is for the minimum amount that will afford relief of the minimum road frontage requirement.

## Sussex County



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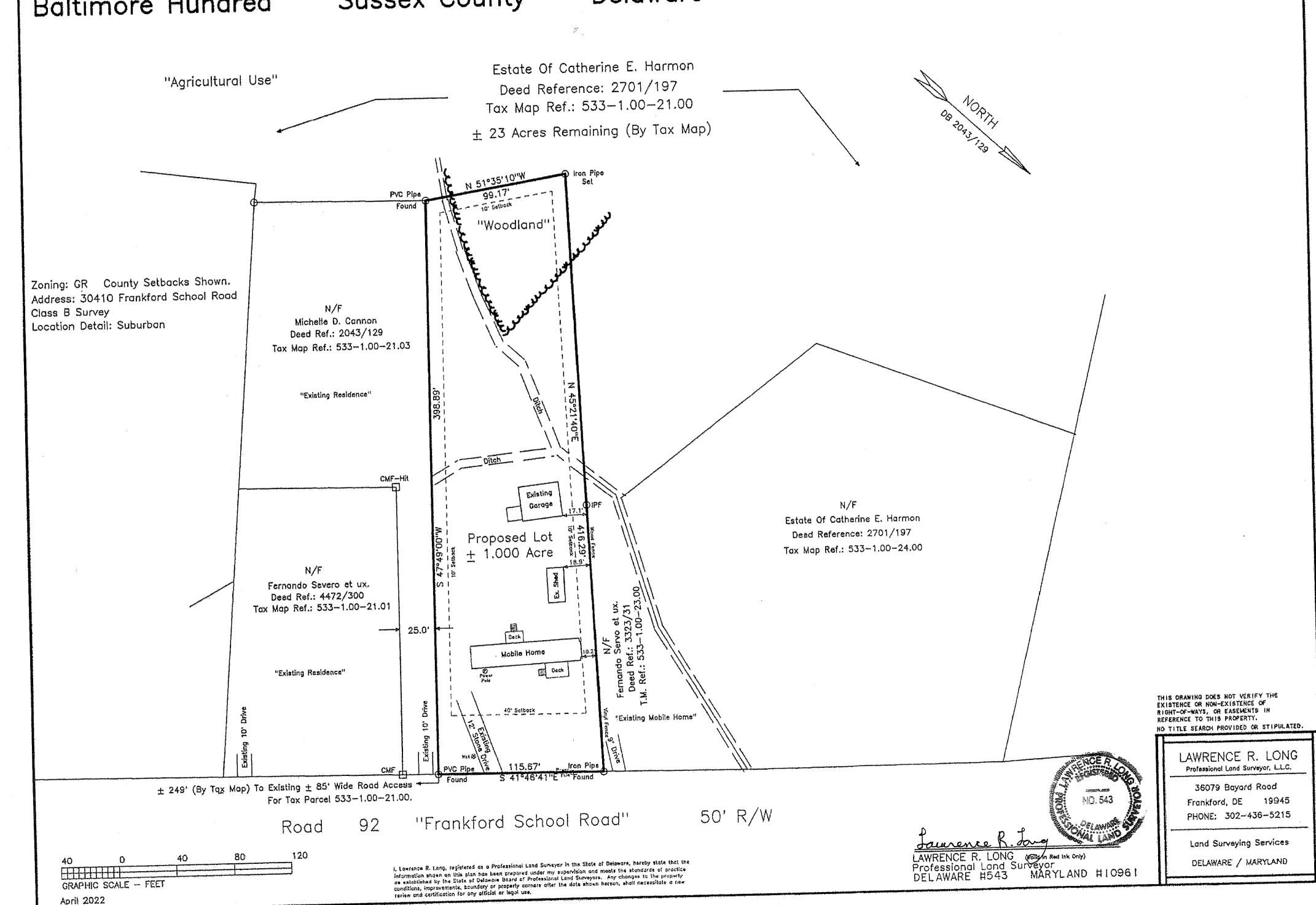
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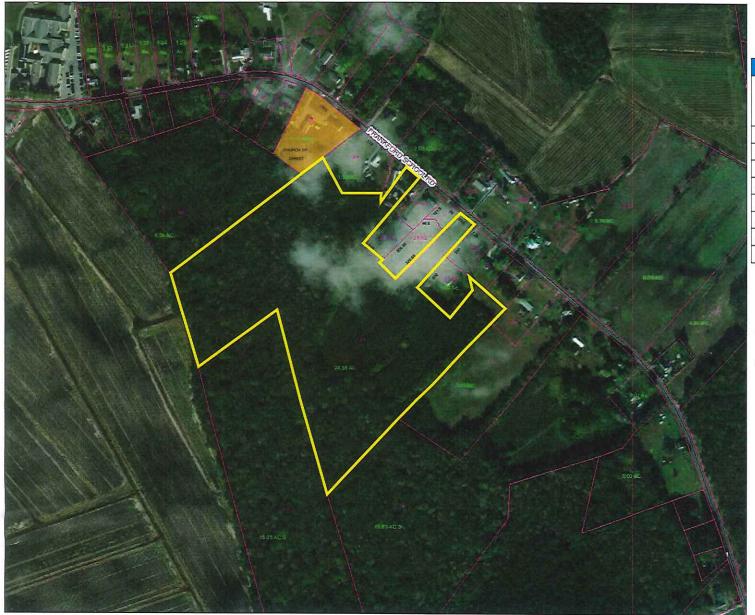
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# Survey — Site Plan: Application For A Variance From The Minimum Lot Width A Part Of The Lands Of The Catherine E. Harmon Estate Baltimore Hundred Sussex County Delaware







PIN:	533-1.00-21.00
Owner Name	HARMON ANTHONY D SR TERRY HARMON
Book	2701
Mailing Address	4 CINDER WAY
City	GEORGETOWN
State	DE
Description	SW/RT 92
Description 2	3400' NW/RT 375
Description 3	N/A
Land Code	

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: Tax Parcels

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County Boundaries

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July 14, 2022

## **Board of Adjustment Application Sussex County, Delaware**

Sussex County Planning & Zoning Department
2 The Circle (P.O. Box 417) Georgetown, DE 19947
302-855-7878 ph. 302-854-5079 fax

Type of Application: (please check all applicable) Variance **Existing Condition Special Use Exception** Proposed Administrative Variance Code Reference (office use only) 115-42 115-182 115-183 Appeal **Site Address of Variance/Special Use Exception:** Variance/Special Use Exception/Appeal Requested: Tax Map #: **Property Zoning: Applicant Information** Applicant Name: **Applicant Address:** City State Zip: Applicant Phone #: Applicant e-mail: **Owner Information** Owner Name: Owner Address: Purchase Date: Citv State Zip: Owner Phone #: Owner e-mail: **Agent/Attorney Information** Agent/Attorney Name: Agent/Attorney Address: City State Zip: Agent/Attorney Phone #: Agent/Attorney e-mail: Signature of Owner/Agent/Attorney

Date:





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#### 2. Cannot otherwise be developed:

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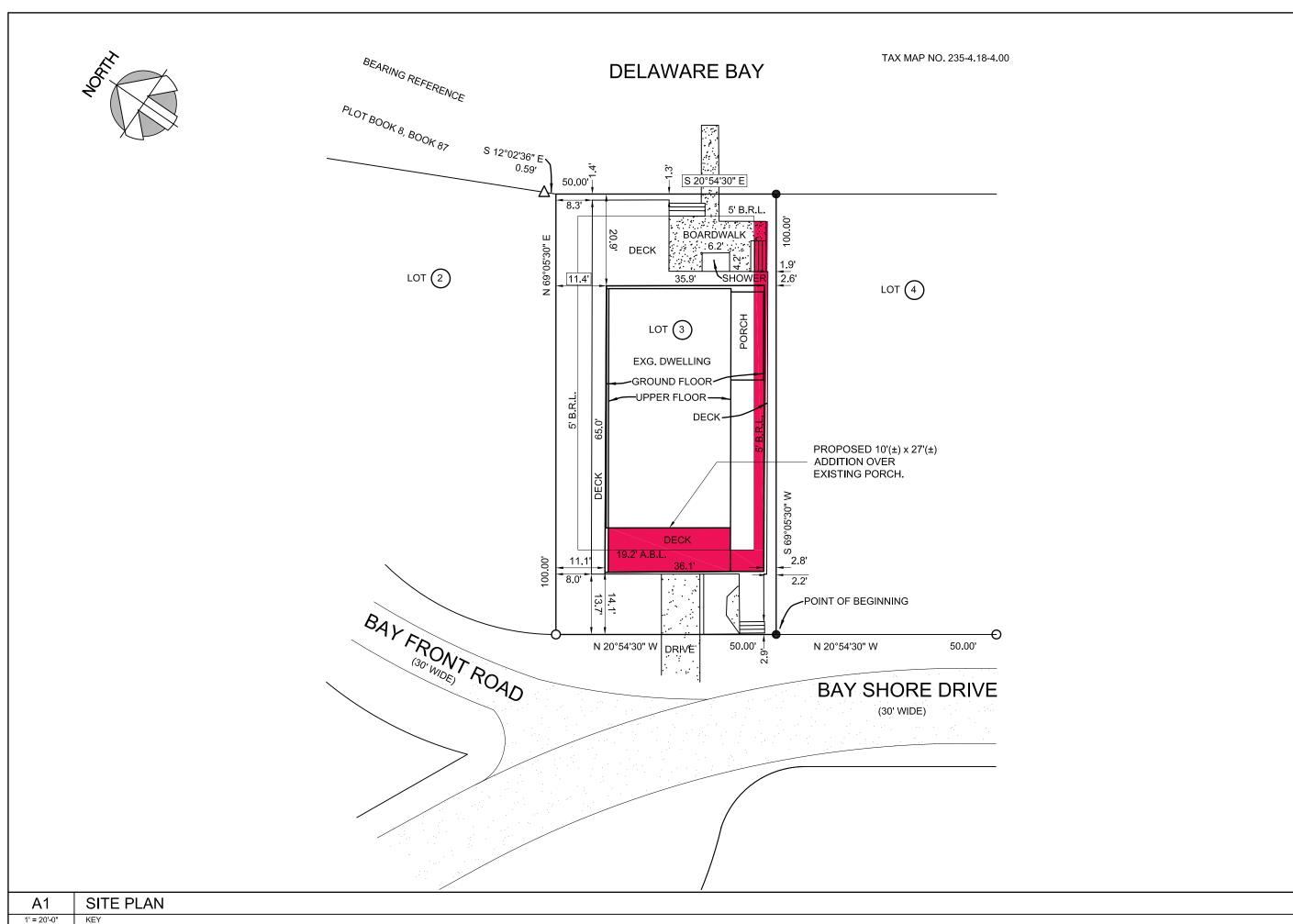
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**Basis for Appeal:** (Please provide a written statement regarding reason for appeal)





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BURKE RESIDENCE ADDITION 1406 S BAY SHORE DRIVE MILTON, SUSSEX COUNTY, DELAWARE

SCALE:

1" = 20'-0"

DRAWING DATE:

06/21/2021

SHEET TITLE:

SITE PLAN

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## Sussex County



PIN:	235-4.18-4.00
Owner Name	BURKE DAVID J & ILENE BONNIE
Book	3065
Mailing Address	1756 LANIER PL
City	WASHINGTON
State	DC
Description	BRDKILN BCH
Description 2	ON DELAWARE BAY LOT
Description 3	3 SEC 1 BLK A
Land Code	

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911 Address

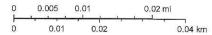
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Conditional Use

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Case #12741
Hearing Date
# 202209585

### Board of Adjustment Application Sussex County, Delaware

Sussex County Planning & Zoning Department 2 The Circle (P.O. Box 417) Georgetown, DE 19947 302-855-7878 ph. 302-854-5079 fax

Type of Application: (please check all application)	able)
Variance 🔀	Existing Condition
Special Use Exception	Proposed 🗌
Administrative Variance	Code Reference (office use only)
Appeal	115-34 115-182 115-185
Site Address of Variance/Special Use Except  3 8656 Burbage  Variance/Special Use Exception/Appeal Reg	uested:  around our inground pool and the front/sidecorner is 32 Pt high, we'need
City Ocean View State DE	Zip: 19970 Applicant e-mail: fori. leech & yahoo.com
Owner Information	
Owner Name: Jori & Greg Lee	ch
Owner Name: 1001 1 0 109 200 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100	e Lane
City Ocean View State DE	Zip: 99 78 Purchase Date:
	Owner e-mail: tori, /cechoyahoo, com
<b>Agent/Attorney Information</b>	
Agent/Attorney Name:	
Agent/Attorney Address:	
City State	Zip:
	gent/Attorney e-mail:
Signature of Owner/Agent/Attorney	
Tous Leech	Date: 6/16/2022





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2. Cannot otherwise be developed: Zoning Ordinance or Code in the neighborhood or district in which the property is located.

That because of such physical circumstances or conditions, there is no possibility that the property can be developed in strict conformity with the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance or Code and that the authorization of a variance is therefore necessary to enable the reasonable use of the property.

The corner front of the property where the fence for the pool is needed cannot be developed with a fence of the height required for a pool under County Code.

3. Not created by the applicant:

That such exceptional practical difficulty has not been created by the appellant.

We the homeowners did not create the irregularity of the lot, we did not subdivide the lot and the house was there when we bought it.

4. Will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood:

That the variance, if authorized, will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood or district in which the property is located and nor substantially or permanently impair the appropriate use of development of adjacent property, nor be detrimental to the public welfare.

The variance for a 4ft fence inside the property line does not after the impair Pine Shore fore residents or adjacent properties because of where the fence will be located and because the fence will

5. Minimum variance:

That the variance, if authorized, will represent the minimum variance that will afford relief and will represent the least modification possible of the regulation in issue.

By law we have to have a ferce around our pool and so we are asking for a 2 foot variance for a 4 foot minimum required by law frapool is 4ft.

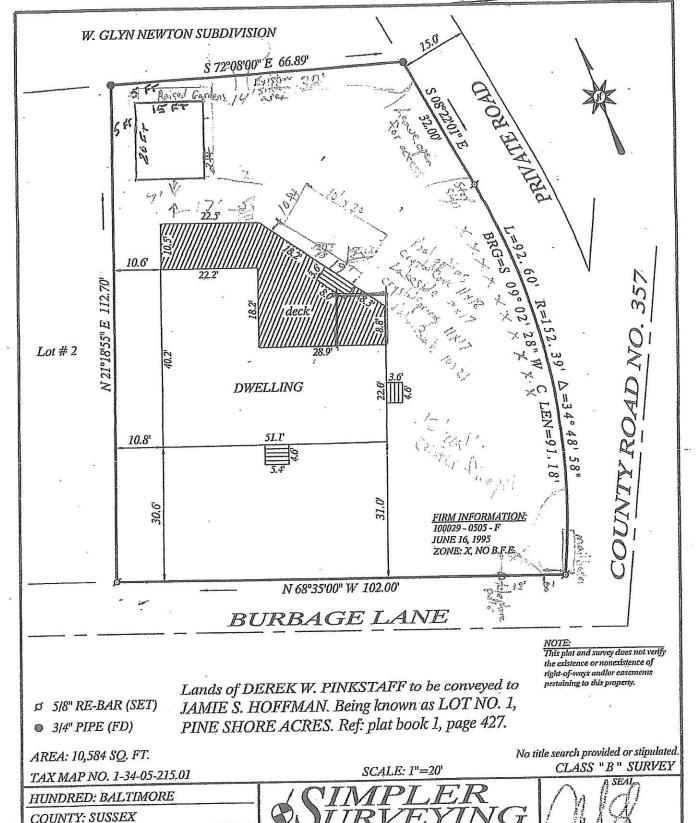
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STATE OF DELAWARE

DRAWN BY: P. ARNOLD

DATE: 01/20/04

June 15, 2022

To Whom It May Concern:

We are writing to voice our non-objection to the application for a variance on the property of Tori and Greg Leech at 39656 Burbage Lane, Ocean View, DE 19970.

We live on Cedar Neck Road, directly across the road from the Leech's property. The variance for the fence placement which they have requested will not negatively affect us or our property. In fact, we support their plans for the placement of the fence around their pool.

Downa Swain Scott Swan

Sincerely,

Donna and Scott Swain 29329 Cedar Neck Road Ocean View, DE 19970

302-563-2183

June 17, 2022

To Whom it May Concern:

We do not have any issues with the height of a fence variance our neighbors, Greg and Tori Leach, are requesting.

Sincerely, Kevin and Kathy Friel 38666 Burbage Lane Ocean View, DE 19970. Reference: Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Leech's variance request for a 6 ft. fence inside their property line along Cedar Neck Road, Ocean View, DE

To whom it may concern,

We reside two houses down from the Leech family on Burbage Lane and we have no issues with their variance request to put up a 6 ft. fence as requesting. Their fence will have no impact on us and will only enhance the beauty and provide an extra safety net being 6 ft instead of 4 ft. to their pool area in their back yard.

Sincerely,

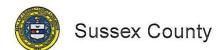
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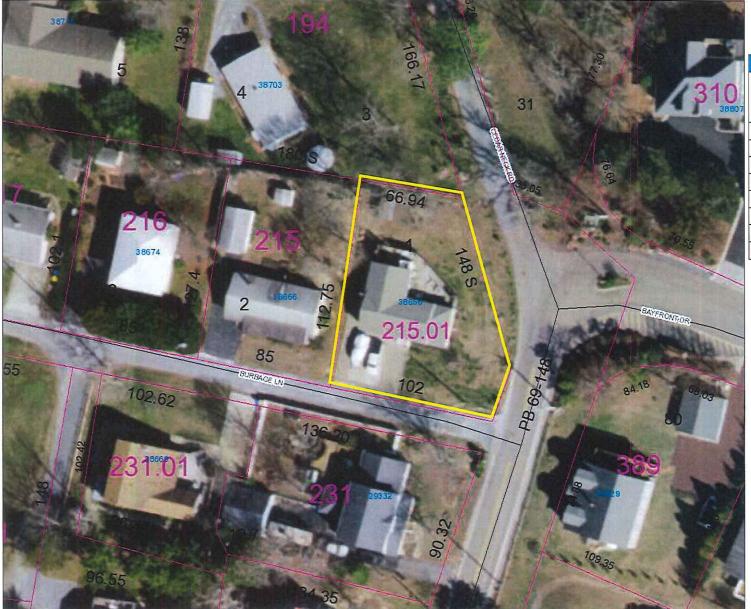
38674 Burbage Lane

Ocean View, DE 19970









PIN:	134-5.00-215.01
Owner Name	LEECH GREGORY TORI LEECH
Book	3691
Mailing Address	38656 BURBAGE LN
City	OCEAN VIEW
State	DE
Description	PINE SHORES ACRES
Description 2	LOT 1
Description 3	N/A
Land Code	

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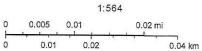
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#### **Amy Hollis**

From:

webmaster@sussexcountyde.gov on behalf of Sussex County DE

<webmaster@sussexcountyde.gov>

Sent:

Tuesday, September 6, 2022 10:29 AM

To:

Jamie Whitehouse

Subject:

Submission from: Board of Adjustment contact form

RECIPIENTS: Ann Lepore, Jamie Whitehouse

Submitted on Tuesday, September 6, 2022 - 10:28am

Opposition Exhibit

□ M A P (a) (V B) → Tr.



Mar.

Name: Jean Lujan

Email address: jeanglujan@hotmail.com

Phone number: 202-365-9168

Subject: Case 12741

Message:

September 6, 2022

Sussex County Board of Adjustment Planning and Zoning Office PO Box 417 Georgetown, DE 19947

Re: Notice of Public Hearing Case 12741

Variances for corner front yard setback and minimum fence height requirement for an inground pool Dear Sir/Madam: I am the property owner of the house at 36890 Burbage Lane, Ocean View DE 19970. opposed to the granting of a variance to the front yard setback sought by Tori and Greg Leech who reside at the corner of Burbage Lane and Cedar Neck Road in Ocean View, DE 19970.

Burbage Lane is a narrow road leading from Cedar Neck Road to the Indian River Inlet bay. Several houses are located on this road. The road has gotten narrower due to the fact that the Leeches have chosen to extend their landscaping beyond the 20' setback requirement. Consequently, it cannot safely accommodate the cars, walkers, bicyclists who routinely use the road to reach their homes or visit their friends. Moreover, the landscaping on the Leech property at the corner of Burbage Land and Cedar Neck Road obstructs the view for cars turning onto Cedar Neck Road from Burbage Lane. It is no longer possible to see whether cars are coming down Cedar Neck Road from the north where the VFW is located without pulling out onto Cedar Neck Road before turning.

For the above reasons, I request that the variance for the front yard setback be denied. Sincerely, Jean Lujan 38690 Burbage Lane Ocean View, DE 19970 202-365-9168

#### **Amy Hollis**

From:

Jamie Whitehouse

Sent:

Tuesday, September 6, 2022 8:38 AM

To:

Amy Hollis

Subject:

FW: Submission from: Board of Adjustment contact form

Opposition Exhibit

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From: webmaster@sussexcountyde.gov < webmaster@sussexcountyde.gov >

Sent: Tuesday, September 6, 2022 12:04 AM

To: Jamie Whitehouse <jamie.whitehouse@sussexcountyde.gov> Subject: Submission from: Board of Adjustment contact form

RECIPIENTS: Ann Lepore, Jamie Whitehouse

Submitted on Tuesday, September 6, 2022 - 12:03am

Name: Mary Perkins and Kenneth Hooker Email address: mppkrh@verizon.net Phone number: 302-537-7552

Subject: Notice of Public Hearing Case 12741 Variance Request

Message:

September 5, 2022

Sussex County Board of Adjustment Planning and Zoning Office PO Box 47 Georgetown, DE 19947

Re: Notice of Public Hearing

Case 12741

Variances for corner front yard setback and minimum fence height requirement for an inground pool

Dear Sirs,

My husband and I live at 29332 Cedar Neck Rd, Ocean View, DE 19970. We are directly south, across Burbage Lane, from Tori and Greg Leech's property

We have been away much of the summer and we were not aware that Tori and Greg Leech were installing an inground pool in their yard. I am not sure that I understand why a variance for the yard setback wasn't required prior to the installation?

We are more concerned, however, with the request for a variance on the fence height. We feel strongly that the Board should not grant a variance on the required fence height for the pool. Numerous families in the vicinity have children or grandchildren who visit especially during the summer. Drowning is a leading cause of death for children ages 1 to 4. For

children and adolescents ages 5-19, drowning is the third leading cause of unintentional death. The Leech's inground pool is in a very visible and accessible location to anyone traveling on Cedar Neck Rd into Quillen's Point, down River Rd toward VFW Post 7234, or on Burbage Lane or living in this area.

We thank the Board for taking our comments into consideration.

Respectfully,

Mary Perkins Kenneth Hooker PO Box 1017 Ocean View, DE 19970

302-537-7552

#### **Amy Hollis**

From:

Ann Lepore

Sent:

Thursday, September 8, 2022 12:59 PM

To:

Amy Hollis

Subject:

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From: webmaster@sussexcountyde.gov < webmaster@sussexcountyde.gov >

Sent: Thursday, September 8, 2022 12:24 PM To: Ann Lepore <ann.lepore@sussexcountyde.gov>

Subject: Submission from: Board of Adjustment contact form

RECIPIENTS: Ann Lepore, Jamie Whitehouse

Submitted on Thursday, September 8, 2022 - 12:24pm

Name: Nick and Andrea Caggiano Email address: abc681@mchsi.com Phone number: 3022456988

Subject: Case # 12741 Tori and Greg Leech

Message:

Sussex County Board of Adjustments

Planning and Zoning

PO Box 417

Georgetown, De. 19947

Re: Case # 12741 Tori and Greg Leech

Dear Board Members,

We are homeowners in Pine Shore Acres and have received the public hearing notice for case # 12741 Tori and Greg Leech concerning changes to set backs and pool fence.

We are asking the Board to NOT grant either.

We have several concerns.

This property is located on a 3 way intersection and borders the entrance of two communities. Newton Acres and Pine Shore Aces.

Newton Acres consists of approx 21 homes. And is home to the VFW post #7234, which currently has 3,500 members, staff, plus open to the public days, and several 18 wheel semi-trucks that frequently deliver supplies to the VFW Canteen according to the Head Master of the VFW.

Recently, the Leeches raised this area of their yard with mounds of mulch, planted bushes, and trees along this property line. As well as placing piling in Cedar Neck Road. Some piling further out than the stop sign causing cars

coming from Newton Acres to either collide with piling or swing wide into intersection. And with the new growth on shrubs and trees they have already started to affect the sights of on coming traffic.

Allowing any changes to the fence height on this property line would further block views for this busy intersection.

Pine Shore acres consists of 13 homes and the subject property. Due to the newly planted mulch mounds, bushes, and trees the motorist, kids on bicycles, cyclists, and walkers sights of oncoming traffic is blocked. And a higher fence would further block the sights of on coming traffic and semi trucks to pedestrians and motorist.

Also, on Burbage Lane (Pine Shore Acres community entrance) and directly across Cedar Neck Rd (Quillens Point community entrance) are our children's bus stops. Elementary, Middle, and High school busses pick up children from 6:15 am to 8am, and drop off 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Children waiting, walking to and from the bus stop. With motorist not being able to see around this area is very dangerous.

Therefor, safety and State requirements on pool fencing height is also very important and needs to be followed.

The pool was completed, filled with water, and has been used by the owners for the last month. The building permit issued was to follow State requirements for this project and would have resolved any concerns before completion and use.

Their survey would have shown any upcoming issues before the building permit was issued.

How do we know if they are not encroaching onto Cedar Neck road with the mulch mound and piling? These plantings and piling alone have prevented walkers, kids on bicycles, cyclists, and motorist from clear sights of traffic. The residents of 3 communities, VFW members, employees, volunteers, public days, busses, and semi-trucks delivering deserve the smooth flow and clear sights of on coming traffic -which they had had until recently.

These concerns should be reviewed by Planning and Zoning and Deldot. The owners should have a survey of the property performed before any decisions are made.

We vote NO to any changes in setbacks. Vote NO to change maximum 3.5' fence height required for corner lot front yard on a main road, and vote NO to changes of a 4' security pool fence height.

Sincerely, Nick Caggiano and Andrea Caggiano 38669 Burbage Lane Ocean View, De 19970 302-245-6988

#### **Amy Hollis**

From:

webmaster@sussexcountyde.gov on behalf of Sussex County DE

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Sent:

Friday, September 9, 2022 9:22 AM

To:

**Amy Hollis** 

Subject:

Submission from: Board of Adjustment contact form

RECIPIENTS: Ann Lepore, Jamie Whitehouse, Amy Hollis, Ashley Paugh

Opposition Exhibit

Submitted on Friday, September 9, 2022 - 9:22am

Name: Ann Marie Savina

Email address: allgirlde@aol.com Phone number: 302-229-2290

Subject: Case # 12741 Tori and Greg Leech

Message:

September 9, 2022

Sussex County Board of Adjustments Planning and Zoning 2 The Circle, PO Box 417 Georgetown, De. 19947

Re: Case # 12741 Tori and Greg Leech

Dear Board Members,

I am VFW member and live on Cedar Neck Rd. and have seen the public hearing notice for case # 12741 Tori and Greg Leech concerning changes to set backs and pool fence.

I am asking the Board to NOT grant either.

I have several concerns.

This corner property is located on a 3-way intersection on a major road and borders the entrance of two communities Pine Shore Acres and Newton Acres and directly across from Quillens Point.

VFW post #7234, which currently has 3,500 members, staff, plus open to the public on Sunday's and holidays has to use Cedar Neck Road which wraps around her corner lot onto Marshy Hope Rd. in the neighborhood called Newton Acres. Large trucks and cars have to pass her corner lot which she has already extended to the road which makes the vehicles turn wide. Her yard has already been raised and she has already planted trees that are growing larger than 15 feet on her corner lot at the edge of the county road. Her trees and bushes are already growing in front of a stop sign. There is already a two-foot-high wooden barrier that is wrapping around her yard that is extend to the street. As you can tell by my photos the 4-foot-high construction fence is as tall as the stop sign. This corner lot is already a hazard and no variances should be granted because if they are they will cause many accidents.

Blocking views on this hazardous corner lot could result in children's deaths and vehicle collisions. You will not be able to see cars bicycles or walker coming out of Burbage Lane or from Cedar Neck Rd. Large trucks and buses coming from Newton Acres will be blind to oncoming and side traffic. Burbage Lane will also be blinded to all oncoming traffic coming from Marshy Hope Rd which the VFW is at the end of this road.

There are also school bus stops here where the children have to walk to their homes around this corner lot and sometimes after school buses at dusk or in the morning dawn when it is still dark in the winter which can make this a serious problem if no one can see.

These variances were put in place for the safety of the neighborhoods, bicycles lanes and the children walking. This is very important for our area to stick to these standards on this already hazards corner lot because if this is allowed, we many be calling it a deadly corner lot with sadness in our hearts.

I'm sure the survey and any building permits from Planning and Zoning for this project would also support the requirements and resolve any issues of her use of land if she has them. I don't believe this a hardship case. If this passes, I'm sure every corner lot in Ocean View will be trying to change their variances as well and it will create nothing but issues for everyone.

I ask the Board to NOT allow changes to setbacks, max height requirements for this corner lot front yard, and side yard and minimum pool fence height.

Sincerely, Ann Marie Savina 30619 Cedar Neck Rd Ocean View, DE 19970