

**Zoning Board of Appeals**  
**Voting Record and Minutes**

The Zoning Board of Appeals of the City of Chicopee public hearing for **Wednesday May 12, 2021, 6:30 PM** in City Hall Annex, Fourth Floor, City Council Chambers, 274 Front Street, Chicopee, MA 01013.

**Meeting was brought to order Anthony Gallant at 6:32 PM.**

Board of Appeals attendance:

Member	Name	Present	Absent	Excused
Regular	Anthony Gallant, Chair	X		
Regular	Carissa Lisee, Vice Chair	X		
Regular	Katherine Baldiga, Clerk	X		
Regular	Gary Stamborski	X		
Regular	Christina Loy	X		
Assoc.	Matthew Bieda		X	

Planning Department Staff Attendance

Title	Name	Present	Absent	Excused
Director	Lee Pouliot			X
Assistant Planner	Patrick McKenna	X		
Development Manager	James Dawson	X		
Associate Planner	Nathan Moreau			X

**Item 1: Variance** from Chapter 275-52 front setback from 25' to 19' 7" +/- for the construction of a detached carport. Location: 543 Lafleur Dr. Chicopee, MA 01013. Applicant: Veronica Jaszek, same address.

**Notes:** The Applicant was in attendance via Zoom and presented the petition to the Board. He noted the carport for which he had placed a deposit was a metal carport. His intention was to place the carport at the end of the driveway. An 8' x 12' shed is currently located at the end of the driveway. Board Member Anthony Gallant noted he had been at the site and observed the shed was sitting on blocks and could easily be moved to accommodate the carport at the proper setback. The Applicant commented that it was not his desire to relocate the shed. Staff noted that the Board had received two comments from abutters stating they were in opposition to the Variance since the property was large enough to accommodate the carport without needing a Variance; Anthony Gallant read the comments into the meeting record. Board Members Gary Stamborski and Anthony Gallant estimated the cost to move the shed was minimal and physically could easily be done. Board Member Katherine Baldiga noted she did not believe there was a legitimate hardship to warrant granting a Variance. Due to Covid-19 meeting regulations, the Board voted to table the hearing on this item to May 20, 2021 to allow an adequate public comment period.

Motion to table to May 20, 2021 was made by Anthony Gallant and seconded by Katherine Baldiga. Vote was 5-0 to table to May 20, 2021.

Member	Voting members	Approve	Deny	Table	Abstain
Regular	Anthony Gallant, Chair			X	
Regular	Carissa Lisee, Vice Chair			X	
Regular	Katherine Baldiga, Clerk			X	
Regular	Gary Stamborski			X	
Regular	Christina Loy			X	

**Item 2: Minutes** from April 14 and 22, 2021

Notes: The minutes from April 14, 2021 were completed and approved by the Board. The minutes from April 22, 2021 were not voted upon as they were not submitted or completed in time for the meeting.

**April 14, 2021**

Motion to approve the April 14, 2021 minutes was made by Anthony Gallant and seconded by Carissa Lisee. Vote was 5-0 to approve.

Member	Voting members	Approve	Deny	Table	Abstain
Regular	Anthony Gallant, Chair	X			
Regular	Carissa Lisee, Vice Chair	X			
Regular	Katherine Baldiga, Clerk	X			
Regular	Gary Stamborski	X			
Regular	Christina Loy	X			

**April 22, 2021**

Motion to table the April 22, 2021 minutes to May 20, 2021 was made by Anthony Gallant and seconded by Katherine Baldiga. Vote was 5-0 to table to May 20, 2021.

Member	Voting members	Approve	Deny	Table	Abstain
Regular	Anthony Gallant, Chair			X	
Regular	Carissa Lisee, Vice Chair			X	
Regular	Katherine Baldiga, Clerk			X	
Regular	Gary Stamborski			X	
Regular	Christina Loy			X	

**Item 3: Discussion - Old/New Business**

Notes: Staff noted possible submission of a Variance on Old Lyman Road for the next meeting.

**Item 4: Adjournment - next meeting May 20, 2021**

Motion to adjourn was made by Anthony Gallant and seconded by Katherine Baldiga. Vote was 5-0 to adjourn.

Member	Voting members	Approve	Deny	Table	Abstain
Regular	Anthony Gallant, Chair	X			
Regular	Carissa Lisee, Vice Chair	X			
Regular	Katherine Baldiga, Clerk	X			
Regular	Gary Stamborski	X			
Regular	Christina Loy	X			

**Meeting adjourned at 6:49 PM.**