

City of Harker Heights Zoning Board of Adjustment Minutes January 16, 2020

Present:

Thomas G. Wilson

Chairman

David McClure

Vice Chairman

Edward Paul Loughran III

Secretary

Charles Sweeney David Hermosillo Board Member

Tony Canterino

Board Member

Jeffery K. Harris

Alternate Board Member Alternate Board Member

Staff:

Joseph Molis

Director of Planning &

Development

Kristina Ramirez

Asst. Director of Public Works

Michael Beard Dan Phillips

Building Official

Brad Alley

GIS Analyst/Planner Fire Marshal

Tiffany Dake

Administrative Assistant

Planning & Development

Absent:

Mark Hyde

Director of Public Works

A quorum was established, and the meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M.

Agenda Item II: Elect Zoning Board of Adjustments Officers: Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Secretary.

Mr. Sweeney made a motion to keep everybody in their present positions and the motion was seconded by Mr. Loughran. The motion passed unanimously (5-0). The Chairman will be Mr. Wilson, Vice Chairman is David McClure and Secretary is Edward Paul Loughran III.

Agenda Item III: Approval of minutes from the November 21, 2019 regular ZBA meeting. Mr. Sweeney made the motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Loughran seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

The next item on the agenda was Citizens to be Heard. There was no one present who wished to speak.

Agenda Item V Public Hearings:

Mr. Joseph Molis presented **ZBA20-01** Conduct a public hearing to discuss and consider a request from Impact Fire Services to allow a variance from the International Fire Code Section 907.2.3 Group E, Exception 3; to allow the removal of smoke/heat detection devices within certain areas of KISD Middle School No. 14 and install a partial manual system in areas that may be occupied after normal posted school hours on property described as Killeen ISD Middle School 14, Block A, Lot One (1), Acres 31.811, generally located at 1600 Warriors Path Road, Harker Heights, Bell County, Texas.

Chairman Wilson asked where the pull stations would be located. Fire Marshal Alley said by being a partial system they would not be at every exit and every door. They would be at places

they would use in the evening such as the cafeteria and gyms. Chairman Wilson asked if the pull station will still be in the office and Fire Marshal Alley stated that they would be. Chairman Wilson asked if pull stations would be in other areas as well. Fire Marshal Alley said there is a full manual station and the pull stations will be in the office and locations with attendance in the evenings. Chairman Wilson asked if there was a sprinkler system, Fire Marshal Alley stated that there will be a sprinkler system installed.

Chairman Wilson then asked who was present to represent the request.

Mr. Steve Stone, of 214 Mid Tex Road, Lorena, TX 76655 was present to speak on behalf of the request for variance. Mr. Stone state that if they did it exactly as code says they would have a pull station at every door that leads to the exterior or exit. He continued to say that they have done several schools where they have omitted that because of the false alarms and active shooter situations. Mr. Stone stated the building will be fully sprinkled.

Mr. Hermosillo asked how many other schools with Killeen Independent School District are they doing this. Mr. Stone stated that he did not know and that this was the only school he is currently working on. Mr. Hermosillo stated that the intent is to put the pull stations in the other locations that you and the Fire Marshal have agreed to. Mr. Stone said yes and that they will sit down with Fire Marshal Alley and go over the exact location that he is wanting them placed in.

Chairman Wilson then opened the public hearing and asked if there was anyone to speak in favor or against the variance.

Mr. McClure made a motion to accept the recommendation, Mr. Sweeney seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

Chairman Wilson then adjourned the meeting at 6:22 P.M.

Thomas G. Wilson, Chairman

ATTEST:

David McClure, Vice Chairman