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Meeting Minutes for May 20, 2019

**Members Present:** Greg Matt, George Byer, John Wilson, Mike Skinner

**Staff Present:** Kenny Pfof, Martin Bedrock

**Members of Public Present:** Larry Fisher, Angela Fisher, Ben Kibert

The May 20, 2019 Board of Zoning Appeals meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Greg Matt. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted, and Roll Call was performed.

**New Business:** President Matt opened the public hearing for a variance request from Larry Fisher, owner of Behind Bars Motorsports. Fisher's request pertained to his property at **Pt E ½ Sc S22 T33 R2 .156a**, commonly known as 701 S Heaton St. The variance request is for building an addition to the existing structure which would be closer than the minimum required setback.

Ben Kibert of 706 S Pearl St addressed a concern regarding parking due to the trucks that deliver goods to Behind Bars blocking both the road and the alley. Kibert had a concern that an addition to the existing Behind Bars structure would create additional problems with parking and blocked roadways.

Fisher addressed the concern, noting that no blockage would be created in the alley. Fisher wants to remove what is currently a trailer in use as a storage unit from his property, and build an addition that would blend in with his building so that you would not realize it was an addition. Doing so will give the business more room for storage and future growth, remove an outside storage unit from the property. Needs a variance to build to within 4 feet of the south property line.

A letter from Brandon Applehans of 703 S Heaton St was read into the record. The objection raised was due to Applehans thinking an additional building was going to be built on the property. Fisher clarified again that an additional building is not being constructed, the trailer will be removed and an addition will be built.

Matt closed the public hearing at 7:22pm.

Byer stated that it seems as though the neighbor's concerns have been laid to rest.

Matt stated his support for the proposal, especially in light of getting rid of another intermodal storage unit.

Wilson made a motion to grant the variance to Fisher as presented and amended, an addition to the existing structure that matches the existing structure and the intermodal removed. Byer second. Passed 4-0.

**Old Business:** None

Wilson made a motion to adjourn, Member Skinner seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.

Next meeting is Monday, July 15, 2019 at 7pm in the Knox City Hall.

Mike Skinner

Secretary, City of Knox Board of Zoning Appeals