

Town of Homer Zoning Board of Appeals  
Minutes for Wednesday, July 24, 2024, at 6:00pm

**Board Members** (absent \*)

Dan Gustafson, Chairman  
Stuart Young  
Gary Sweeney \*  
Chris Mauler \*  
Rhea Robinson  
Ryan DuBois \*  
Rick Villnave  
Lindsay Andersen (alternate)\*

**Others Present**

Lindsay Andersen, Recording Secretary \*  
Kevin McMahon, CEO\*  
Dan Ellis, Attorney

**Public Attendance:** Carlton Dawson, Andrea Dawson, Christopher Austen, Krysta Austen

**Public Hearing**

Chairman Gustafson opened the public hearing at 6:35pm to consider **an application by Christopher Austen for property located at 6083 Hights Gulf Road, Tax Map No. 38.00-01-12.200, for an area variance to construct a barn closer to the road than is permitted by Town of Homer Zoning, Section 404.**

The applicant stated he would like to construct a barn closer to the road than what is permitted and therefore needs a variance. Carlton Dawson stated he is a neighbor of the applicant and is in attendance to support the project and has no objections.

With no further questions or comments the public hearing was closed.

**Regular Meeting**

Chairman Gustafson opened the regular meeting to consider **an application by Christopher Austen for property located at 6083 Hights Gulf Road, Tax Map No. 38.00-01-12.200, for an area variance to construct a barn closer to the road than is permitted by Town of Homer Zoning, Section 404.**

The board members discussed that the variance is being sought due to the setback requirements. The maps were reviewed by the board members.

Attorney Ellis stated he received a letter from the county planning department, which he read. The letter stated the request is both technically adequate and has no state or county wide impact and was returned for local determination.

Attorney Ellis stated this is considered a type 2 action under SEQR therefore a short environmental assessment form is not required.

Member Robinson made the motion to accept the Type 2 action under SEQR. Member Young seconded the motion. With all members in favor saying "aye", none opposed, and none abstained. The motion was carried unanimous 4,0,0.

Member Young made the motion to approve the area variance. Chairman Gustafson seconded the motion. With all members in favor saying "aye", none opposed, and none abstained. The motion was carried unanimous 4,0,0.

## **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55pm.

Lindsay M. Andersen, Recording Secretary