



Madison Charter Township Zoning Board of Appeals

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 30, 2026

Madison Township Hall

3804 S. Adrian Hwy.

Adrian, MI 49221

Members Present: Rodney Meeks, ZBA Chairman
Rebecca Liedel, Secretary
Zach Bock

Members Absent: Eric Ehinger

Others Present: Dave Rincon, Madison Township Building Official
Jim Parent, Owner of Property 5470 Sand Creek Hwy., Adrian
Brett Gilbertson, Builder

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm. Those in attendance joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Purpose of the meeting is to decide the Zoning Appeal Application for an appeal submitted by James Parent, property owner of 5470 Sand Creek Hwy., Adrian (MD0-129-1660-000).

Requesting variance to allow property to allow property owner to construct a pole barn prior to building a new home on the same property. Currently, there is no residence on the property, this would be putting an accessory building up before a new home is built, which is a violation of the zoning ordinance.

Property consists of 80 acres, which is currently zoned agricultural.

Board received correspondence from Dave Rincon's office: emails and specific legal reasons to overturn current zoning.

Jim Parent addressed his willingness to work with the board and township to make this his permanent home. He currently lives in Ohio.

Brett Gilbertson addressed the board about the amount of time it would take to finish the barn. Depending on weather, he was talking 1-2 years.

Dave Rincon was willing to work with Mr. Parent and his builder to see that this project would become a fit in Madsion Township.

Dave shared the builder was willing to comply with time regulations set by his office.

Discussion amongst board members was had. No other questions for owners or Dave.

Motion was made by Rebecca and Seconded by Zach. Motion carried 3-0.

*Motion granting a variance hardship to protect owners' property while building barn until dry sealed. No utilities to the barn until the home foundation is poured. Home to be actively constructed and up to date with the building officials. Finished in a timely manner. If not, violations will be issued.

All parties were satisfied with the outcome of the board's decisions. Drawing of the proposed house and barn were shared by the builder.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm