

# Ravenna Township Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting Minutes

Remy Arness, Gary Long, Claire Moore, JoAnn McEwen, Kerry Hollender

A public hearing of the Ravenna Township Board of Zoning Appeals was advertised and held at 6:00PM, on Wednesday, June 11, 2025, at 6145 S. Spring Street., Ravenna, Ohio 44266.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Chairman Remy Arness. Administrative Assistant took the roll call: Remy Arness, yes; Gary Long, yes; Kerry Hollender, yes; Claire Moore, yes; JoAnn McEwen, yes; Stephanie Weigel (ALT), absent; Lori Rotondo, Zoning Inspector, yes; Melissa Murphy, Administrative Assistant, yes. A quorum was recognized for the record.

Audience:

- Angelo Battaglia, Battaglia Construction
- Burl Braver, 7955 Champagne Dr., Blacklick, Ohio, applicant
- Sam Braver, 5454 Broadview Road., applicant

The Board heard BZA case # 2025-003. Burl & Sam Braver requested an accessory structure variance for a 50' x 50' detached pole barn to be constructed on 3532 Hommon Ave., Ravenna, Ohio 44266. This size pole barn, plus the existing accessory structures, would be more than the permitted accessory square footage on said parcel.

Burl explained to the Board there currently is a mobile home (occupied by a renter), a 2-car detached garage, and three sheds on this 6.9-acre parcel. His son, Sam, wishes to construct this pole barn to store the many antique cars in his car collection. The current renter will be leaving, the mobile home will get renovated, and Sam will then be residing in the mobile home.

Burl stated there will be no power to the new building at the time of construction, the three sheds will be removed, however, they would like to paint and keep the existing 2-car detached garage so there would be two accessory buildings on this parcel.

Angelo Battaglia from Battaglia Construction explained how the pole barn will be constructed. However, the applicants were not aware that they were requesting this pole barn to be 23ft high at the peak and the regulations for this district state the maximum height permitted is 18ft. At that time, the Board advised the applicants that a height variance will also need to be discussed along with the square footage variance.

Remy made motion #2025-11 to approve the two variances with one condition for BZA #2025-003. Condition: Due to the shape of the parcel/lot, the new pole barn must be at least 50' from the street facing property line instead of 30' as requested. JoAnn seconded the motion. RC: Remy Arness, yes; Kerry Hollender, yes; JoAnn McEwen, yes; Gary Long, yes; Claire Moore, no. Motion Passed.

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Claire made motion #2025-12 to journalize the Boards decision of BZA #2025-003. JoAnn seconded the motion. RC: Remy Arness, yes; Kerry Hollender, yes; JoAnn McEwen, yes; Gary Long, yes; Claire Moore, yes. Motion Passed.

Claire made motion #2025-13 to approve the minutes with corrections discussed for May 14, 2025, as presented to the Board. Gary seconded the motion. RC: Remy Arness, yes; Kerry Hollender, yes; JoAnn McEwen, yes; Gary Long, yes; Claire Moore, yes. Motion Passed.

Claire made motion #2025-14 to adjourn the meeting at 7:14PM, June 11, 2025. JoAnn seconded the motion. RC: Remy Arness, yes; Kerry Hollender, yes; JoAnn McEwen, yes; Gary Long, yes; Claire Moore, yes. Motion Passed.



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Chair



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Zoning Inspector



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Administrative Assistant