## **MINUTES**

Meeting: Kent County Board of Zoning Appeals

Date: January 13, 2020 Time: 7:00 P.M.

Location: County Commissioners Hearing Room, 400 High Street, Chestertown, Maryland

Agenda Item/Case	Sitting for the Board	Action Taken	Vote
MINUTES: December 16, 2019		Minutes approved as presented	Unanimous Approval
19-59 – Robert Fry and Judy Gifford – The applicants are requesting a 363-foot variance from the rear yard setback requirement and a 227-foot variance from the front yard setback requirement in order to construct a 48 x 124-foot waste management structure on their 61.73-acre dairy farm. Currently, the County's Land Use Ordinance requires waste management structures to be a minimum of 600-feet from all parcel boundary lines.  The property is located at 12246 Locust Grove Road, Kennedyville, Maryland in the Second Election District and is zoned Agricultural Zoning District "AZD".  Applicants: Dr. Robert Fry  Rob Tracey, Community Planner All were sworn in.  No correspondence has been received.  There were no protestants in the audience.	Dr. Albert Townshend, Chairperson  Joan Horsey, Member  John Massey, Member  David Hill, Alternate Member sitting in observing capacity only  Mr. Christopher Drummond Attorney for the Board  Sandy Adams, Clerk	Based on the applicant's testimony and verification of the following:  There is a practical difficulty as the structure cannot meet the required setback requirement anywhere on the property.  It is environmentally safe in protection of the Bay.  The request is in compliance with the Comprehensive Plan.  The request is in compliance with Best Management Practices.  The structure will not create a detriment to the adjacent properties.  The structure will not change the character of the neighborhood.  Ms. Horsey made a motion to approve the variance based on the following finding(s) of fact:  The proposed 48 x 124-foot waste management structure will be used for the storage of manure to comply with dairy farm Best Management Practices and to meet the requirements associated with Maryland's Nutrient Management Guidelines.  Mr. Massey seconded the motion; all were in favor.	Unanimous Approval
Adjourn		At 7:18 PM, Dr. Townshend asked for motion.	Unanimous Approval
		Ms. Horsey made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Mr.	

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		Massey seconded the motion; the motion passed with all in favor.	
Dr. Albert Townshend, Chairman		Sandy Adams, Clerk	