

The Dorchester County Board of Appeals met in regular session on Thursday, March 22, 2012 in Room 110 of the County Office Building at 7:00 PM. Present were Dwight Cromwell, Wendell Foxwell, Catherine McCulley, Chairperson, Mike Edgar, Walt Gunby, Attorney, Steve Dodd, Director of Planning, with Merris Hurley recording. Mr. Howard and Ms. Hill were absent.

An introduction was made by Chairperson McCulley, explaining the procedures of this meeting to the audience. She then asked Mr. Dodd to read the first case.

Case #2417 - Gary and Sophia Shockley

To request, as a special exception, an accessory structure measuring 32' x 42' prior to a principal structure. Property located at 6914 Williamsburg Church Road and contains 3 acres. AC, Agricultural Conservation Zoning District.

Mr. and Mrs. Shockley, and any other person who would be testifying in this case, were sworn in.

Mr. Dodd read the case and all pertinent information into the record.

Gary and Sophia Shockley, 6926 Williamsburg Church Road, Hurlock, Maryland, explained to the Board that they would rely on their written responses to the criteria, but stated that they need to vacate their house and are requesting this building to store their belongings.

Mr. Dodd read agency comments into the record. The Department of Public Works had no comments. The Health Department had no objection. The Planning Commission recommended approval but suggested that the approval not be transferrable and a declaration of land restriction be recorded with the deed stating such, and the building must not be used for a home occupation or any type of business.

No one spoke in favor of this request and no one was opposed.

Ms. McCulley announced the end of testimony and the Board began their deliberations.

At this time, each Board member explained his decisions regarding the criteria.

After all testimony, Ms. McCulley called for a motion regarding this case. Mr. Foxwell made a motion "to approved the request with the following stipulations: building may not be used as a home occupation or for a commercial purpose; special exception is limited to the applicants and not transferrable until after principal structure is completed on the lot, and this restriction shall be recorded with the deed in the land records of Dorchester County." Seconded by Mr. Cromwell and unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Foxwell to approve the minutes of the February 23, 2012 meeting. Seconded by Mr. Cromwell and unanimously carried.

With no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Cromwell to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Foxwell and unanimously carried. Time of adjournment: 7:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Steve Dodd
Executive Secretary