

**TOWN OF FARMINGTON  
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
MEETING MINUTES**

July 17, 2018

Present were Chair Schoenhorn, Commissioners Carrier and Alternate Commissioners Forster and Tucker and Assistant Town Planner and Clerk. Chair Schoenhorn opened the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

Acting Secretary Carrier read the legal notice into the record.

Chair Schoenhorn explained the process of the meeting.

Alternate Commissioner Forster was appointed to vote on behalf of Commissioner Callahan. Alternate Commissioner Tucker was appointed to vote on behalf Commissioner Phillips.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Robin Shanmugam – 2 Hendrickson Lane

Application for variance to reduce rear yard setback from 25 feet to 16 feet for installation of pool at 2 Hendrickson Lane, R40 zone. Mr. Shanmugam provided photographs of the rear yard and reviewed the topography of the lot to demonstrate the steep slope immediately to the rear of the house. Closer to the rear property line the property levels out and is relatively flat. The applicant would like to install the inground pool in the flat area of the lot so that significant alterations to the grade will not have to be made. Locating the pool to the rear of the property will also minimize impacts to the current flow of storm water and the look of the neighborhood. The proposed location of the pool was staked out and shown in the photographs in addition to the site plan. The adjacent neighbor at 4 Hendrickson Lane has submitted a letter in support of the application and is part of the record.

There was no public comment in favor or in opposition to the application.

The public hearing was closed at 7:18 p.m.

Upon a motion made and seconded (Carrier/Forster) it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the Robin Shanmugam application for variance to reduce rear yard setback from 25 feet to 16 feet for installation of pool at 2 Hendrickson Lane, R40 zone.

Members voting in favor of this application felt the topography of the land demonstrated a sufficient hardship and that the proposed inground pool will have a very low impact to the neighborhood.

**MINUTES**

Upon a motion made and seconded (Forster/Carrier) it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the June 18, 2018 meeting minutes.

The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

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