

CITY OF ST. PETE BEACH
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MEETING MINUTES
August 31, 2022 2:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Paul Skipper, Chair
Sandie Lyman, Vice Chair
Dan Small, Member
Denise Chase, Member

EXCUSED: Michael Bomar, Member

STAFF PRESENT: Matthew McConnell, Assistant City Attorney
Kristin Coman, Senior Planner
Ginny Bodkin, Deputy City Clerk

Chair Skipper called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Approval of the Agenda

Motion: Member Chase moved, and Member Lyman seconded the approval of the agenda as presented with no changes; the motion passed unanimously.

2. Audience Comments – There were no general audience comments.

3. Approval of Minutes - a. 6/29/2022

Motion: Member Lyman moved, and Member Small seconded the approval of the June 29, 2022 minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Action Items

- a. **Variance - 1805 Pass-A-Grille Way (Case No. 22025)** - Request to construct a residential dock that is proposed to be 35 feet in length (25 feet allowed).

Kristin Coman, Senior Planner for the City reviewed a presentation on this variance request. The presentation is part of the meeting record. Exhibits included an aerial map, zoning map, property survey, site plan, and photographs.

Staff recommendation was for approval as proposed with a 10'x12' boatlift on the north side of the dock as depicted on the site plan and subject to the removal of two wet slips.

The Deputy City Clerk played a voicemail of a public comment from Wendy Hopwood and Victor Tonas of 1807 Pass-a-Grille Way speaking against the variance request.

Construction Contractor Bryan Bettencourt of 6798 Crosswinds Drive N. appeared on behalf of the Applicant. He testified that the dock plan has been totally redesigned since his last appearance. He explained the plan alterations that have made in consideration of the neighbors. This would be an improvement from what is currently there. He can shorten to 30 feet if necessary.

The Board Chair opened audience public comment.

Debra Colburn 1803 Pass a Grille Way spoke against the variance application and showed photographs as evidence that will become part of the meeting record.

Mark Colburn 1803 Pass a Grille Way spoke against the variance request.

Previous letters in opposition were included in the meeting packet.

The Chair closed public comment and opened Board discussion.

The Board asked the Applicant's representative to answer some additional questions and deliberated.

Motion: Member Chase moved, and Vice Chair Lyman seconded to approve the variance for 1805 Pass-a-Grille Way with conditions as requested for a dock to exceed the allowable length by 10 feet as proposed, subject to the removal of the two 48-foot wet slips which will significantly reduce the amount of dockage available to the subject property. The motion failed 4-0.

5. Adjournment – The next meeting is 9/28/2022 and there are three cases to be heard.

Motion: Member Lyman moved and Member Chase seconded adjournment at 2:38 PM.

These minutes were approved at the October 26, 2022 Board of Adjustment meeting.