## Freetown Zoning Board of Appeals

Wednesday, December 16, 2015 Town Hall - Assonet Mass.

Present:

James Frates, Robert Jose, and Walter Sawicki.

Absent:

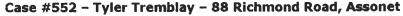
Nicolas Velozo (associate).

Call to order:

James Frates called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

## **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

No minutes were received.



A motion was made by Mr. Jose, seconded by Mr. Sawicki, to reopen the continued public hearing at 6:30 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Tremblay was present to review the sketched plans he had submitted the week prior. He indicated the first-floor garage area would increase in height by four feet, and the roofline was being altered to better match the house. One side of the garage will have a higher ceiling to accommodate a lift, which he stated would be for personal use and not for commercial purposes. He stated the garage would maintain the same footprint it has now, just be higher and have a footing under a previously-unsupported area.

Mr. Jose stated the variance was necessary because the structure as it exists is nonconforming as it's already within the side setback. He asked if the basic premise of the application was simply to raise the roof, and Mr. Tremblay stated it was.

A motion was made by Mr. Jose, seconded by Mr. Sawicki, to close the hearing. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Jose stated this variance would not make the structure any more nonconforming.

**DISPOSITION:** A motion was made by Mr. Jose, seconded by Mr. Sawicki, to approve the variance request. The motion carried unanimously.

**Meeting Adjourned** 

A motion was made by Mr. Sawicki, seconded by Mr. Jose, to adjourn at 6:39 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

This is a True Record by me.

Attest: McCue, Senior Clerk