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Franklin County Commission
Board of Adjustment

The Franklin County Advisory Board of Adjustment met in regular session on Wednesday, May 2, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. in the Franklin County Courthouse Annex. The attendance was as follows:

PRESENT

Vance Millender ----- Chairman
Larry Hale ----- Member
Mitch Griner -----Member
Joe Hambrose ----- Member
Rachel Ward ----- Zoning Director

ABSENT

Gil Autrey -----Member
Michael Shuler --- Attorney

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Vance Millender who thereafter presided.

The first item on the agenda was for approval of the minutes of the February 1, 2012 meeting as mailed. On motion by Member Larry Hale, seconded by Member Mitch Griner and by unanimous vote of the members present, it was agreed to approve the February 1, 2012 minutes as mailed.

The second item on the agenda was for consideration of a request for a variance to construct two sets of exterior stairs on a single family residence, 4 feet into the Critical Habitat Zone on property described as Lots 10 & 11, Sandpiper Village, St. George Island, Franklin County, Florida, as requested by Larry Taylor, agent for Tim Wright.

Mr. Larry Taylor presented the request before the members. He explained that because of the configuration of the lots being like a peninsular, the wetlands extend very close to the dwelling. He explained the dwelling was originally started in 2004. The house had been dried-in, but the only entrance and exit to the house was underneath the structure. He said the new owner Mr. Tim Wright wanted to build the two sets of exterior stairs for easier access to the house.

Mrs. Rachel Ward explained that the flood ordinance allows pervious surfaces, with a variance, within the Critical Habitat Zone and there would be no roofs over the stairs.

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On motion by Member Larry Hale, seconded by Member Mitch Griner and by unanimous vote of the members it was agreed to recommend that the Board of County Commission approve this variance as requested.

The final item on the agenda was for consideration of a request for a variance to construct a rock revetment within the Critical Habitat Zone on property described as Lot 19, Heron Bay Village, St. George Island, Franklin County, Florida. The request was presented by Dan Garlick of Garlick Environmental Associates as agent for Stephanie A. Mason.

Mr. Garlick explained that there is an existing breakwater which does not go all the way across and does not provide adequate protection. He noted that the swimming pool is located on the backside of the property and if storm tides come in they will flow around the breakwater and compromise the swimming pool.

Mrs. Ward stated that she had received no objections from the adjoining home owners.

On motion by Member Larry Hale and seconded by Member Mitch Griner and by unanimous vote of the members it was agreed to recommend the Board of County Commission approve this variance as requested.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.


Vance Millender, Chairman

ATTEST:

Rachel Ward, Zoning Director