

BZA MEETING

MINUTES

JULY 28,2026

These are the Minutes from the BZA meeting that was held on July 28,2026 at Seymour City Hall Council Chambers.

The meeting was called to order by Rob Kaufman (President) at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call was taken by Jeremy Gray (Secretary) with Rob Kaufman (President), Dave Eggers, and Karen Munson present. Mark Gillaspay was absent and 1 seat is still vacant.

The Minutes from the May 26,2026 meeting were discussed and a motion was made to approve the Minutes as is with a vote of 3-0, 1 absent ,1 vacant. (There was no meeting in June 2026)

Rob Kaufman (President) stated to the petitioners that since there is not a full quorum, they would have to get all 3 votes to be approved, or they can wait and come back next month. All decided to stay.

DOCKET:

BZA 0-28-24 Marilv Nava Martinez Petitioner: Petitioner is requesting a Land Use variance at 1072 Brittney Blvd. to run a rental business out of her home. It came before the Board in January of 2025, and they were given approval with the stipulation that they find a store front or commercial space with in 18 months. They have not done that and that is why they are back again asking for approval.

CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

SPEAK FOR: NONE

SPEAK AGAINST: NONE

She stated to the Board that they were not able to find an affordable space for this. She really is only busy in the summer months. She really hasn't made enough to rent commercial space.

Dave Eggers asked if they were given another 12 months, could they find a place and they stated yes. Rob Kaufman (President) asked what if they still don't find a place after another

year??? He also stated no complaints have been filed against them, which is good. He asked they come to us IF they know they can not find a place.

Rob Kaufman made a motion to approve with the stipulation they have till July 27, 2027 to find a spot with Karen Munson seconding the Motion. A vote was taken, it was approved with the stipulation of another year by 3-0, 1 absent, 1 vacant.

BZA 0-9-26 Darlene Barrett Petitioner: Petitioner is requesting a variance at 727 N Elm St. She wants to put a fence up but lives on a corner lot and is restricted to the placement. Darlene Barrett spoke to the Board explaining she wants to put a fence up.

CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

SPEAK FOR: NONE

SPEAK AGAINST: NONE

She stated the fence would be 6ft from Elm St and leave enough room for a walkway on 8th. Fence would be on 8th and Elm on the corner. It would be a privacy fence.

Dave Eggers wants to make sure the view would not be blocked and she agreed and explained it would not.

Karen Munson made a motion to approve with Rob Kaufman (President) seconding the motion. It was approved 3-0, 1 absent, 1 vacant.

BZA 0-10-26 Jon Guffey Petitioner: Petitioner is requesting a Variance at 318 Carter Blvd. He wants to build a garage off the back of his house.

Mr. Guffey spoke to the Board to explain he wants to build it off the back of his house and will be in the rear setback and side setback.

CORRESPONDENCE: An email from a neighbor with concerns on how close this will be to the alley and with the drainage and parking.

He stated he had a plan to remedy the drainage situation and has spoke with DPW about this.

Dave Eggers made a motion to approve with stipulation that the drainage be installed by the owner. Karen Munson seconded the Motion, a vote was taken with a tally of 2-1, 1 absent, 1 vacant. A motion to renew till August 2026 meeting with Karen Munson seconding the renew motion.

BZA 0-11-26 Toby Calhoun Petitioner: Petitioner is requesting a variance at 801 N Pine St. He wants to replace 2 existing sheds and build a 30' x 36' building and will be in the side setback by 2 ft instead of 3.8ft and the rear setback of 20 ft to be at 3ft.

Mr. Calhoun spoke to the Board explaining he wants to work out of 1 building instead of 2 sheds.

CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

SPEAK AGAINST: NONE

SPEAK AGAINST: NONE

Dave Eggers stated he wants to know what the building will be used for? He was told storage. He asked if the new one would be taller than the house and he told them no. Dave Eggers made a motion to approve with Karen Munson seconding the motion. A vote was taken and it was approved 3-0, 1 absent, 1 vacant.

OTHER MATTERS: Rob Kaufman asked about getting the vacant seat filled? Mayor is still looking for a replacement. Dave Eggers asked about a storefront downtown and that it looks bad and needs to be fixed inside and out. Jeremy Gray (Secretary/ Building Commissioner) stated he would send his inspector to look at it.

ADJOURNMENT: Rob Kaufman (President) made a motion to adjourn with Dave Eggers seconding the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 5:47 p.m.