

**TOWNSHIP OF O'HARA  
ZONING HEARING BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
February 2, 2009**

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**MEETING** was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by, Mr. Christopher Klein, Acting Chairman in the Township of O'Hara Municipal Building, 325 Fox Chapel Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15238. On roll call, Mr. Christopher Klein, Acting Chairman, Mr. Robert Willison, Vice Chairman, Dr. Alvin Kinsel, Secretary and Mr. Richard Lockwood, Alternate. Scott Chermak, Zoning Officer was present on behalf of the Township. Two interested parties were also in attendance. All persons wishing to give testimony during the hearing were sworn in.

**ZONING HEARING BOARD CASE NO. 1094** Was heard by the Board regarding a request from Mr. & Mrs. James Usher, 521 Colquitt Drive, Pittsburgh, Pa 15238 wishes to obtain the necessary variances for a front yard porch addition on property located at 521 Colquitt Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15238. The subject property is located in a "R-1" (Special Residential) Zoning District. As proposed, the request violates Chapter 72, Sections 72-5.26.C and 72-18.148.A of the O'Hara Township Zoning Ordinance. As proposed, the additions to the porch will extend 1'3" and 1'8" respectfully into the 40' front yard setback. Mr. Klein noted that we did not have a court reporter. Anna Marie Gizzi told the Board that Adelman Reporters were called and said they would be here but they are not. Mrs. Aimee Usher and Mr. John Hegnes were present on their own behalf. Mr. John Hegnes spoke to the Board on behalf of Mr. & Mrs. Usher. He showed the plans for the front porch to the Board and said the front addition would balance out the front of the house and make it look more even. Mr. Willison said that we should note that the lot is triangular shaped and that causes a hardship. This is such a small parcel of land we are talking about.

Motion by Dr. Alvin Kinsel to grant the variance as requested. Seconded by Mr. Robert Willison. Motion carried unanimously.

**MINUTES**

Approval of the January 5, 2009 meeting minutes.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Dr. Alvin Kinsel, Secretary

