

**Gaines Township  
Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting  
July 25, 2018**

**Meeting called to order:** 7:30 p.m.

**Roll Call:**     **Present:** Steve Jennings, Bill Harris, Don Sinkler, Matthew Moros  
                  **Absent:** Chad Morey

**Motion by Jennings:** supported by Sinkler, to approve the April 11, 2018 Regular Appeals Board meeting minutes as presented.

**Motion carried**

**Motion by Harris:** supported by Jennings, to approve the May 9, 2018 Special Appeals Board meeting minutes as presented.

**Motion carried**

**Call to the public:**

No response

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

ECHO housing for elderly parents at 6335 S. Sheridan Road

**Vice Chair Moros opened floor and applicant Jodi Russ and Jerry LaFerney presented their case for the need of ECHO housing**

**Motion by Harris:** supported by Jennings, to grant applicant, Jodi Russ, her request for ECHO housing at 6335 S. Sheridan Road, Durand, MI 48429, with the following conditions: (1) trailer must be hooked up to septic system and inspected by Township Building Department inspector(s), (2) water line must be buried and inspected by Township Building Department inspector(s), (3) must have a minimum of four (4) tie-downs to prevent trailer from blowing over and (4) once usage is no longer needed, trailer must be removed within thirty (30) days.

**Motion by Moros:** supported by Harris, to amend original motion allowing building inspector to determine how many tie-downs are necessary.

**Motion carried**

**Motion by Harris:** supported by Jennings, to grant applicant, Jodi Russ, her request for ECHO housing at 6335 S. Sheridan Road, Durand, MI 48429, with the following conditions: (1) trailer must be hooked up to septic system and inspected by Township Building Department inspector(s), (2) water line must be buried and inspected by Township Building Department inspector(s), (3) allow Township Building Department inspector(s) to determine how many tie-

downs are necessary and (4) once usage is no longer needed, trailer must be removed within thirty (30) days.

**Roll call: Sinkler, yes; Jennings, yes; Harris, yes; Moros, yes.**

**Motion carried**

**Closing statements by Board members**

**Motion by Harris:** supported by Jennings, to adjourn meeting at 8:08 p.m.

**Motion carried**

**Next regular meeting scheduled for October 10, 2018**

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Hawkins  
Recording Secretary