1	INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF WESTHAMPTON DUNES
2	ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
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4	April 11, 2015
5	10:00 a.m.
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8	Meeting held at
9	914 Dune Road, Westhampton Dunes, New York
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13	APPEARANCES:
14	Harvey Gessin - Chairman
15	Barry Goldfeder - Member
16	Eric Saretsky - Member
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18	Joseph Prokop - Village Attorney
19	Aram Terchunian - Commissioner of Wildlife Protection
20	Laura Dalessandro - Zoning Clerk
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1	(Whereupon, the meeting was called to order at
2	10:24 a.m.)
3	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Okay. Let's all stand for
4	the Pledge of Allegiance.
5	(Whereupon, all stood for the Pledge of
6	Allegiance.)
7	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: I would like to call this
8	session of the Westhampton Dunes Zoning Board to
9	order. The first item on the agenda is Kronberg.
10	MR. BATCHELLER: Okay. Hi. Ed Batcheller for
11	Sandra Kronberg.
12	So last time we met, we were discussing the two
13	variances, one with front yard setback and the other
14	was the lot coverage.
15	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Yes.
16	MR. BATCHELLER: And it was pretty much your
17	conclusion that we really can't increase the lot
18	coverage.
19	So I went back to the client and explained the
20	whole situation, and what we were able to do is bring
21	it back exactly to the same lot coverage. What we
22	did was we there was a side deck and the door to
23	the side deck, which once I found out what that was,
24	it's just a utility room closet. So we take that
25	whole deck out, just leave a little landing for the

1	door itself, because it's not really used, except for
2	checking electric, or whatever. Anyway, and so
3	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: It's a platform for the
4	electrical meter, basically.
5	MR. BATCHELLER: Yeah, it's inside, yeah, the
6	electrical closet in there. And so I have here the
7	revised proposal, a couple of sets. You might want
8	to take a look at that. So it shows the lot coverage
9	calculations on the first page, and then there's a
LO	plan view that shows the deck, the proposed deck, and
11	elevation showing that as well.
L2	So, basically, prior to the the prior
L3	application had this deck going all the way over to
L4	here.
L5	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Correct.
L6	MR. BATCHELLER: So we've taken all that out.
L7	We've cut this back, and we're just going to build
L8	this is essentially the increase right here.
L9	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Yes, okay.
20	MR. BATCHELLER: As far as the setback goes, I
21	did a little more research in the Village. I found
22	this handy Raynor and Marcks analysis, and a lot of
23	the the setbacks are typically 39 feet, 39.6,
24	40.2, 40.1, 39.6, etcetera. So I think our setback
25	is 39.6, 39 no 39.3 feet. I think we're in the

1	same, you know, sort of aesthetic of that area.
2	I also did another did some other things.
3	There really are only two there are three lots in
4	that area that are around the same size as Sandra's.
5	This is 5,033. That's 11 Dune Lane. This one is for
6	874, Catherine Vaczy, and this one Liere. I believe
7	that was
8	MEMBER SARETSKY: Burns.
9	MR. BATCHELLER: That was burns. So Vaczy has
10	a 23% went from a 20 to 23% lot coverage at some
11	point, and this, they had gotten a setback to 40
12	feet. So my point is, and I think what we're
13	proposing is, in keeping with the spirit, you know,
14	of the existing neighborhood, and not really changing
15	anything from what's already there.
16	Oh, this one and Liere has a 27.2% lot
17	coverage on their property.
18	MEMBER SARETSKY: Did you say how what the
19	lot coverage would be with this now?
20	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Yeah, he did. He's got
21	MEMBER SARETSKY: 26.7.
22	MR. BATCHELLER: It's a little bit
23	MR. SARETSKY: It's staying the same.
24	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Almost the same.
25	MR. BATCHELLER: Plus or minus, we're

1	MEMBER SARETSKY: 2.2%.
2	MR. BATCHELLER: Yeah. And, you know, that's a
3	little bit debatable, because I don't know if the
4	house actually measures, you know, what you know,
5	what the surveyor did. I mean, it probably does, but
6	I think we're in the ball park.
7	MR. TERCHUNIAN: And so you're saying the
8	existing coverage is 26.5%, and this house was built
9	under benefit of a variance.
10	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: It has a variance, yeah.
11	MR. TERCHUNIAN: But was the variance for
12	26.5%?
13	MR. BATCHELLER: You know, I didn't see that
14	document, so I can't answer that question. But
15	whatever the lot coverage was, it's what we're
16	doing is essentially the same. By removing the side
17	deck and pushing you know, taking that square
18	footage and applying it towards the front deck. So
19	kind of, you know, whatever the lot coverage was and
20	what is proposed are essentially the same. We
21	didn't you know, within a couple; 2%, 2, 3% or
22	something.
23	This, actually, proposal is what Sandra
24	originally asked me to design for her, so we really
25	just went back to the original design.

1	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: And I sort of remember
2	something earlier in this application about an
3	earlier variance, and I, for some reason, don't see
4	it, when this house was originally reconstructed or
5	constructed.
6	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Yeah, because this was a new
7	house. All those new houses have variances.
8	MR. BATCHELLER: Like Liere has a 27% lot
9	coverage.
10	MR. TERCHUNIAN: I don't remember what they
11	were, though.
12	MR. BATCHELLER: I have it on there.
13	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Because they have they all
L4	have variances.
15	MR. BATCHELLER: Yeah, Liere was granted a
16	variance of 27.2% lot coverage and 39.5 foot setback.
L7	That's the house that's literally next door to I
18	believe, to Sandra's. It's a very similar type of
19	house.
20	MR. TERCHUNIAN: It would probably be useful if
21	you walked the Board through the five-part balancing
22	test for variances.
23	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Did you pull the file on this
24	house for the Village?
) 5	MR RATCHELLER: I did but not originally

1	but, yes.
2	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Yeah. Do you have the survey
3	of the
4	MR. BATCHELLER: The old survey?
5	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Well, the existing, the
6	survey of what exists there now.
7	MR. BATCHELLER: You mean the current survey?
8	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Yes.
9	MR. BATCHELLER: Yeah, you have you should
10	have that in your file.
11	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Something with a surveyor's
12	stamp on it.
13	MR. BATCHELLER: Yeah, yeah.
14	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: I don't seem to have it.
15	MR. BATCHELLER: Yeah, you have a bunch of
16	them. Didn't I just pull that out here? I just
17	showed you. Here.
18	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Oh, okay.
19	MEMBER SARETSKY: Oh, okay. I didn't see that
20	either.
21	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Yeah.
22	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Doesn't say what the coverage is
23	MEMBER SARETSKY: Yeah. This survey doesn't
24	show the lot coverage.
25	MR. BATCHELLER: There is a lot coverage

1	survey, I think, in what does it say?
2	MR. TERCHUNIAN: 26 24.6.
3	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: 24.6. So it's less than what
4	we have on here.
5	MR. BATCHELLER: All right. But so the
6	calculation would simply be the same. I mean, it
7	would be 24.6, and mine would be 24.8.
8	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Let me just do some
9	interpretation for you.
10	MR. BATCHELLER: Yes.
11	MR. TERCHUNIAN: The last time we were here,
12	went through your presentation, the Board's reaction.
13	At that point, you agreed to go back to speak with
14	your client and to try to find a way to maintain
15	existing lot coverage.
16	MR. BATCHELLER: Right.
17	MR. TERCHUNIAN: You've come to us with a
18	sketch that you prepared that shows that.
19	MR. BATCHELLER: Right.
20	MR. TERCHUNIAN: There appears to be some small
21	discrepancy between the survey and the sketch you
22	prepared.
23	MR. BATCHELLER: Right.
24	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Typically, the Board will act
) E	on a survey

1	MR. BATCHELLER: Sure.
2	MR. TERCHUNIAN: as opposed to a sketch.
3	MR. BATCHELLER: Okay.
4	MR. TERCHUNIAN: So it would be necessary for
5	the surveyor to take the information you've created
6	and to reproduce that on their survey with their
7	license
8	MR. BATCHELLER: Got it.
9	MR. TERCHUNIAN: to verify this information
10	MR. BATCHELLER: Okay.
11	MR. SARETSKY: The proposed piece or
12	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Yeah, the existing and the
13	proposed, and that they're both the same, and then
14	that that's normal, typical the way it's done.
15	The other thing is that there since there
16	was a variance on this property in order for this
17	building to be constructed, the Board should see that
18	before they act to make sure they're not that they
19	have that as part of their record, and I don't think
20	that's been produced. We can't find it.
21	MR. BATCHELLER: Okay.
22	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Because we'll actually have
23	to amend that variance.
24	MR. BATCHELLER: You have to amend the
25	variance?

1	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Well, we're going to replace it.
2	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Replace the variance.
3	MR. BATCHELLER: Yeah.
4	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Replace that variance.
5	MR. BATCHELLER: Okay. Was that before Sandra
6	purchased it?
7	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Oh, yeah. This is on initial
8	construction, which goes back to the late '90s.
9	MR. BATCHELLER: Okay.
10	MR. TERCHUNIAN: These are all these lots
11	are substandard
12	MR. BATCHELLER: Right.
13	MR. TERCHUNIAN: and they all went through
14	the variance procedure, and they all came up with
15	roughly the same
16	MR. BATCHELLER: Okay. So let me ask you this:
17	Is there a way to sort of approve this deck on the
18	contingency that the survey will verify what I claim
19	is the case? I mean, because what I removed from my
20	drawing is proportionately the same as what's on the
21	survey, so
22	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Well, we think you're going
23	to end up getting to where you want to be, but we've
24	got to see all the documents.
25	MR. TERCHUNIAN: The answer is that's probably

1	not the best way for your client, because if there's
2	any discrepancy and the hearing is closed, we have to
3	re-advertise this whole thing. That's what you don't
4	want to do, because that's going to cost you more
5	time.
6	So the thing to do is to get the documents that
7	the Board needs in order to confirm what you have,
8	and make sure that they have that before the meeting,
9	before the next meeting, so that they can be reviewed
10	by the Village Attorney.
11	MR. BATCHELLER: Yeah.
12	MR. TERCHUNIAN: And the Board can understand
13	what they're looking at and be have all the
14	information in front of them so they can close the
15	hearing.
16	MR. BATCHELLER: Okay. So you want two things,
17	an updated survey with the existing lot coverage and
18	the proposed lot coverage; is that correct?
19	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Correct.
20	MR. BATCHELLER: And you want a copy of the
21	variance, you want the documents from the file
22	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Correct.
23	MR. BATCHELLER: that explain the variance?
24	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Just so that
25	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: That's part of what you

1	currently have.
2	MR. TERCHUNIAN: So they understand what was
3	done by a previous Board.
4	MR. BATCHELLER: Okay. And that was just
5	simply to the build the house, the variance?
6	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Yeah.
7	MR. BATCHELLER: Okay.
8	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Yeah, for whatever's there
9	currently.
10	MR. BATCHELLER: Right, okay.
11	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: So we know what's there
12	now
13	MR. BATCHELLER: Yeah.
14	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: has a variance.
15	MR. BATCHELLER: Right. So everything that's
16	there now was there.
17	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: We don't know. Maybe there's
18	some other stuff that
19	MR. BATCHELLER: I don't know.
20	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: appeared.
21	MR. BATCHELLER: Yeah. All right. So we got
22	another go-around. You really like this stuff.
23	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: You're close.
24	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Let me encourage you to get
25	that you know, get that into the Village office

1	well in advance of the next meeting so it can be
2	reviewed. So, if there's any other issue, we can
3	make sure that the paperwork is correct when you show up.
4	MR. BATCHELLER: Right. You know, surveyors
5	have their timetable.
6	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Yes, they do.
7	MR. BATCHELLER: As we know.
8	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: All that I'm saying is if we
9	would have had this in advance, we would have been
10	back to you, and you could have had it for this
11	meeting
12	MR. BATCHELLER: Yeah.
13	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: and been done with this.
14	MR. BATCHELLER: All right. I didn't realize I
15	needed to get this survey redone, but it makes sense.
16	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Okay.
17	MR. BATCHELLER: All right.
18	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Thank you.
19	MR. PROKOP: So you should vote to adjourn the
20	hearing.
21	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: I want to adjourn this
22	hearing to the next meeting, which we'll pick the
23	date shortly at the end of this meeting.
24	MR. BATCHELLER: Okay.
25	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: You want to pick a date now

1	or no?
2	MS. DALESSANDRO: Sure.
3	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: You want to pick a date now
4	so he knows where we're going?
5	MEMBER SARETSKY: Sure.
6	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: How long do you need, Laura?
7	MS. DALESSANDRO: At least a couple of weeks.
8	MR. TERCHUNIAN: He's got to get a survey,
9	which means he's got to get to
LO	MR. BATCHELLER: We'll see.
L1	MEMBER SARETSKY: Someone's got to do it and
L 2	then plot you know, put it on. But, hopefully,
L3	this guy will do it for you fast, but
L4	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Nothing happens fast.
L 5	MR. SARETSKY: Nothing happens fast.
L6	MR. BATCHELLER: Young & Young has been pretty
L7	good, but we'll see.
L8	MR. TERCHUNIAN: I think he needs at least a
L9	month to get what he needs. Am I do you think so?
20	MR. BATCHELLER: I don't know. I don't want to
21	have it too soon and then he can't get the survey,
22	right?
23	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Right.
24	MR. BATCHELLER: Everything else isn't a
25	problem, it's just the survey.

1	MR. GOLDFEDER: Tentatively scheduled May 9th?
2	MR. PROKOP: That's good with me.
3	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: I think I'm okay. I think
4	I'm okay.
5	MS. PETINO: Isn't it Mother's Day? I think
6	it's Mother's Day.
7	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Oh, is it?
8	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Thank you.
9	MR. SARETSKY: That's going to be a problem.
10	MS. PETINO: Get ready.
11	MR. BATCHELLER: I'm going to send my mother
12	over.
13	(Laughter)
14	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: I guess we'll do the 16th,
15	then.
16	MR. PROKOP: I'm not going to be able to do the
17	16th.
18	MR. BATCHELLER: Do you have the variances with
19	you?
20	MR. PROKOP: We can't do it the day before
21	Mother's Day?
22	MR. TERCHUNIAN: I don't keep those files on me.
23	MEMBER SARETSKY: And if we did it on the 23rd,
24	then it would give you plenty of time.
25	MR. BATCHELLER: 23rd, wow.

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1	MEMBER SARETSKY: That way, if we have a
2	conflict on the 16th
3	MR. BATCHELLER: Yeah. Just, you know, she
4	wants to get this deck built for the opening of the
5	season.
6	MEMBER SARETSKY: Oh, okay. Well, I think the
7	problem is that is Mother's Day on Saturday or
8	Sunday?
9	MS. PETINO: Oh, it's Sunday.
10	MR. SARETSKY: So it's the next day.
11	MS. PETINO: It's always on Sunday. That's
12	fine.
13	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Yeah, it's the next day.
14	MEMBER SARETSKY: So the 9th maybe is okay.
15	MR. TERCHUNIAN: I'm going to be in Newport.
16	You don't need me.
17	MR. SARETSKY: Well, we need Aram, so.
18	MR. TERCHUNIAN: No, you don't need me.
19	MEMBER SARETSKY: Oh, I do.
20	(Laughter)
21	MR. BATCHELLER: So what's the date? Is it May
22	9th?
23	MR. GOLDFEDER: May 9th?
24	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: I don't know. I may not be
25	good that weekend.

1	MEMBER SARETSKY: Well, I mean, maybe the thing
2	to do is just let us see how we do and then we'll
3	call you and tell you. I mean, do we need to pick it
4	this second?
5	MR. GOLDFEDER: Yeah. If there's any change,
6	Laura will notify you.
7	MR. SARETSKY: Obviously, we need Harvey.
8	MR. BATCHELLER: So tentative for May 9th.
9	MR. GOLDFEDER: Schedule for May 9th. Any
10	change, Laura will notify you.
11	MEMBER SARETSKY: Yeah, okay. We'll start with
12	that.
13	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: It's tentative the 9th; if
14	not, what, the 23rd? What's Memorial Day weekend?
15	MR. SARETSKY: I assume
16	MR. BATCHELLER: That might be it.
17	MEMBER SARETSKY: No. I would assume that
18	Memorial is the 30th and 31st.
19	MR. BATCHELLER: I don't know the weekend.
20	MEMBER SARETSKY: I don't know that, but it
21	makes sense.
22	MS. PETINO: I think it's early this year.
23	MR. PROKOP: That's the that's Memorial Day
24	weekend, the 23rd.
25	MS. PETINO: Yeah.

1	MR. SARETSKY: Oh, the 23rd?
2	MR. BATCHELLER: Yes, right.
3	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Wow, it's early.
4	MR. BATCHELLER: Yeah.
5	MR. PROKOP: Can we if this is only an
6	adjourned hearing, can we leave it for the 9th and
7	then let's see what happens?
8	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Yeah, we could leave it for
9	the 9th, yeah, sure.
10	MR. BATCHELLER: Okay.
11	MR. PROKOP: Because we don't have to re-notice
12	the application all over again, we only have to
13	notice the meeting part.
14	MR. BATCHELLER: So do you keep those or I
15	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: You can have them. You want
16	them back?
17	MEMBER SARETSKY: That's yours, this is yours.
18	I marked this one up, if you want to take that one as
19	part of the set. It was three sheets or two?
20	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: It was three.
21	MR. BATCHELLER: It was three.
22	MR. TERCHUNIAN: We have we have a file
23	copy.
24	MR. SARETSKY: Okay, fine.
25	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Unless, Harvey

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1	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: As long as we have one set,
2	it doesn't matter.
3	MEMBER SARETSKY: Okay. There you go.
4	MR. BATCHELLER: Thank you.
5	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Our next application
6	MR. PROKOP: I wanted to thank you, I forgot at
7	the beginning of the meeting, for doing the
8	stenography minutes, because it's really helping me a
9	lot in going through this stuff.
10	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Oh, it has?
11	MR. PROKOP: Yeah.
12	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Great.
13	MR. PROKOP: Because everything's right there,
14	it's so much easier. Thank you very much.
15	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Right, rather than memory.
16	MR. PROKOP: Yeah. And it also goes on our
17	website
18	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Or sloppy notes.
19	MR. PROKOP: if anybody, any of the
20	neighbors or anybody else has questions on it. It
21	makes you guys sound really smart, too
22	MEMBER SARETSKY: That's difficult.
23	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Do we have anything to
24	discuss on those determinations right now?
25	MR. PROKOP: Well, we have the decisions in

1	these files.
2	MEMBER SARETSKY: Yeah, you got one here.
3	MR. PROKOP: There's one for everybody. Maybe
4	pass them down to Laura.
5	MEMBER SARETSKY: I have one that I could give
6	to Laura. I guess, Laura, you should hold the rest
7	of them. You got one?
8	MR. GOLDFEDER: Yes, in my folder.
9	MR. PROKOP: And one for me. I forgot to keep
10	one. So that we know, that on Panayis is done with
11	that other thing that we talked about. So we have
12	Autorino. I don't think on Autorino there were any
13	changes at the meeting, so I just copied it off the
14	notice. So that was basically it. And then we
15	Autorino, what happened with Autorino? We actually
16	went over this at the last meeting.
17	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Yeah, we did.
18	MR. PROKOP: And there was a One and a Two at
19	the end, and I took out One and this is Two. That
20	was the minutes say that we approved this and you
21	wanted me to delete you know, at the end, there
22	was a Number One and there was Number Two. So this
23	Number One here is what was Number Two the last time
24	I deleted the one you told me to take out.
25	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Okay. Right, right.

1	MR. PROKOP: And I don't even know that this
2	applies.
3	MEMBER SARETSKY: This is just for the septic.
4	MR. PROKOP: Yeah.
5	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Yeah.
6	MEMBER SARETSKY: Which is being handled by the
7	Building Inspector.
8	MR. PROKOP: He's really doing he's really
9	doing it, so, I mean, I
10	MEMBER SARETSKY: So just, I guess, for more
11	information than anything else.
12	MR. GOLDFEDER: So since this was conditional,
13	do we need to get that verification back from the
14	Building Inspector to attach to the record?
15	MR. PROKOP: Yeah. Well, one of the things
16	it should be in our file. One of the things that you
17	might consider is submitting a septic certification,
18	and then take it out from the Suffolk County
19	Department of Health Services. Take out that just
20	so they get a separate certification from somebody,
21	so it could be the architect.
22	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Whoa, I don't follow you.
23	MEMBER SARETSKY: He's saying that we take this
24	piece out.
25	MR. PROKOP: It's Number One.

1	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Cross out
2	MR. SARETSKY: Suffolk County Department of
3	Health, and we accept submitting a septic
4	certification. It doesn't say it has to be who it's
5	from, just from
6	MR. PROKOP: Yeah, approved by the Building
7	Inspector, because it's not going to come from
8	Suffolk County, they don't do that.
9	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: So we should write that in?
LO	MR. PROKOP: Take out "Suffolk County".
11	MEMBER SARETSKY: Submitting a septic
L2	certification for the new in other words, this is
L3	going to be from someone.
L4	MR. PROKOP: Yeah. Just take out "from the
L5	Suffolk County Department of Health Services,"
L6	because they don't do that, they're not going to do it
L7	MEMBER SARETSKY: Okay.
L8	MR. PROKOP: We got we just we educated
L9	ourselves on this on.
20	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: So just cross out "Suffolk
21	County Department of Health Services"?
22	MR. PROKOP: Yes. So there will be a
23	certification in the file, and it may or may not be
24	from the Suffolk County Health Department, and with
5	that we can approve it also

1	And then on the next one is Herson. Herson
2	there was changes. Now, in the beginning, the first
3	page, the first page and the top of the second page,
4	this is what they requested, but I just want to note
5	that the lot coverage of so the variance that
6	they're requesting at the end was lot coverage
7	variance of 4.9%. It was reduced from 11%. They
8	started off requesting 31% and they reduced we
9	asked them to reduce it.
10	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: What page are you on?
11	MR. PROKOP: Page 1 of Herson. And it says,
12	Number One, "Lot coverage variance of 4.9." And I
13	have in parenthesis "reduced from 11," because they
14	came in originally asking for 31% and they knocked it
15	down. They reduced it at our request of 24.9.
16	And I noted in there that the existing structures
17	have 23.9.
18	The original the rear yard setback variance
19	was 5 that they ended up asking was 5.97 feet,
20	which was reduced from the original request. There
21	was a slight reduction in the rear yard setback
22	request.
23	Number Three was a side yard setback of 1.6
24	feet. That was actually withdrawn, and I have in
25	there noted that it's withdrawn.

1	Oh, this is where Barry came up with the 4
2	that's why you were saying it was 4, 5, because I
3	withdrew some of these. I'm sorry, you're right, I
4	apologize.
5	Front yard setback variance of 19.3 feet. A
6	front yard setback of 41 feet. Number 5, what is it?
7	MEMBER SARETSKY: I'm sorry. Number 4 is 40.7,
8	you have.
9	MR. PROKOP: Yeah. The variance is 19.3 for an
10	existing because the 40.7 is actually the setback.
11	The variance that's requested is 19.3, and the
12	setback is 40.7. That's a primary structure.
13	And then Number Five is the deck, which is 70
14	feet. So it's supposed to be 70 feet, so it's a
15	41-foot variance. And then there's a front other
16	front yard setbacks.
17	Now, I just want to in the decision on the
18	last page of this, which is Page 4 of this
19	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Hold on one second. On
20	Number Five, on my notes, unless I had it written
21	down incorrectly, instead of 41, I had 40.6 and 29.4.
22	MR. PROKOP: 40.6.
23	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Aram, you want to check mine,
24	check me on that, on Number Five?
25	MR. PROKOP: Oh, 29.4? Okay. Sorry.

1	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: I have 40.6.
2	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Yeah.
3	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Is that right?
4	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Yeah.
5	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Okay.
6	MR. TERCHUNIAN: It's on the survey.
7	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: And 29.4.
8	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Right.
9	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Okay. So I should just cross
10	that out?
11	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Uh-huh.
12	MR. PROKOP: Okay.
13	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: I guess I'll initial it.
14	This is the original.
15	MR. SARETSKY: I mean, he's the one that's
16	going to sign
17	MR. PROKOP: Yeah, that's fine, so go ahead and
18	sign in.
19	MEMBER SARETSKY: Okay.
20	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Okay. Which one, Joe, on
21	that?
22	MR. PROKOP: Okay. At the end.
23	MEMBER SARETSKY: Page 4.
24	MR. PROKOP: Start with the determinations, 3
25	Page 3, I have one, because, according to my

1	notes, some of these we approved. We did not approve
2	the maximum lot coverage variance, right? We denied
3	it. We made him go back to 23.9, I think.
4	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Yeah.
5	MR. PROKOP: Okay. So they did that right.
6	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: 23.9, right.
7	MR. PROKOP: Okay. So the benefit to the
8	applicant for the maximum lot coverage variance will
9	not outweigh the detriment to the health and safety,
10	but it will for the other ones, Two through Seven.
11	MR. TERCHUNIAN: I think, Joe, bottom of Page 4
12	MR. PROKOP: Yeah.
13	MR. TERCHUNIAN: motion to approve the
14	remaining Two through Seven.
15	MR. PROKOP: You're right. I'm sorry, I
16	apologize.
17	MEMBER SARETSKY: Change to approve from deny,
18	right?
19	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Yeah.
20	MR. PROKOP: Yeah, I'm sorry.
21	MR. TERCHUNIAN: It was the lot coverage was
22	maintained status quo, and the others
23	MR. PROKOP: Yeah, I got it backwards. So it's
24	motion to deny is the top. I'm sorry. So it should
25	say under Six, it should say "motion to deny".

1	MEMBER SARETSKY: You have it as motion to
2	deny.
3	MR. PROKOP: Oh, I'm sorry. It's motion to
4	MR. SARETSKY: It's motion to approve.
5	MR. PROKOP: No, no, I had it right. It's
6	approve the Findings and Determination and deny
7	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Deny the maximum lot coverage
8	And then at the very bottom sentence, most
9	sentence
LO	MR. PROKOP: Oh, it should be motion to
11	approve.
12	MR. TERCHUNIAN: To approve the remaining Two
13	through Seven.
L4	MR. PROKOP: That's correct, yeah. Okay,
L5	you're right. I'm sorry.
16	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Otherwise, we'll just deny
L7	them all.
18	(Laughter)
19	MR. PROKOP: Good pickup, thanks.
20	MEMBER SARETSKY: Okay.
21	MR. PROKOP: And I think yeah, thanks Aram.
22	I think everything else is good.
23	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Okay? Next one is Panayis.
24	MR. PROKOP: Panayis, there was just the one
) 5	change We went over this the last time

1	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: No, there's another
2	correction.
3	MR. PROKOP: I'm sorry.
4	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: What I saw that was missing
5	in here is the maximum the maximum house size. I
6	believe we had that on the record, too.
7	MR. PROKOP: Okay.
8	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: I think it was and now I
9	got to look it up.
LO	MR. PROKOP: It might have been from the
L1	meeting before we started
L 2	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: I think it was
L3	MR. PROKOP: The November meeting we didn't
L4	have it.
L5	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Yeah. Let me find this file
L6	now.
L7	MEMBER SARETSKY: I think I have it. Panayis,
L8	right?
L9	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: If I remember correctly, we
20	read into the record that we were going to do similar
21	language to the other applications. So should we
22	how do we do that, then, now?
23	MR. PROKOP: Oh, similar applications on the
24	bay?
25	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Oh. on Panavis vou're talking

1	about. Yes, definitely.
2	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: So what do we do now, just
3	take one of them, cut it and stick it on here?
4	MR. PROKOP: Yeah. I mean, I have the
5	decisions with me, if you want. At the end, we can
6	mark them up, you know, make the changes, so we have
7	clean things printed. We can print it out right
8	here. I'm not sure what the other requirement was.
9	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: It was really just on the
LO	maximum footprint.
L1	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Yes.
L2	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Maximum square footage,
L3	footprint of the house
L4	MR. TERCHUNIAN: It was defining the envelope
L5	and the maximum house size.
L6	MR. PROKOP: So why don't you give me the
L7	language at the end then we'll what I can do is
L8	I'll get Brian to open up the computer and just print
L9	it quick and do it. It will just take a second.
20	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Okay.
21	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Let me do the math on this.
22	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Last one of the day. Yale
23	Nelson, 836 Dune Road. Give this back to Joe. All
24	right. This is a continuation of our last meeting.
25	We stopped because we hadn't heard from the County as

1	yet, but now we have and they have no comment.
2	MS. DALESSANDRO: No.
3	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: So it's basically up to the
4	Village to decide what we want to do here at this
5	Board.
6	MR. PROKOP: Can I see it?
7	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Sure.
8	MR. PROKOP: Okay. So they said that they
9	consider it to be a matter of local determination,
LO	which means they don't want to get involved with it.
L1	So, basically, it's for us to deal with.
L2	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: I think our Board is pretty
L3	much done with our review. I don't know if anyone in
L4	the public has any further comments. Do you have any
L5	further comments, anybody?
L6	MS. PETINO: I think we've been asking since
L7	November what is the lot coverage of the new
L8	construction. It seems to be a mystery.
L9	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: I don't think so, it's
20	MS. PETINO: What? Maybe I misheard. What
21	would it be?
22	MEMBER SARETSKY: Here's existing and proposed
23	right?
24	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Yeah.
25	MEMBER SARETSKY: Basically.

1	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: It's the same, 23.6.
2	MEMBER SARETSKY: 23.6.
3	MS. PETINO: But what are the dimensions,
4	because I'm 23.6% is 2478 square feet.
5	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Well, we have 2495.
6	MS. PETINO: Close enough.
7	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Yeah.
8	MS. PETINO: But what would the dimensions be?
9	To get that, I mean, 46-by-53 would equal that, and
10	their house seems to be a little bit bigger. I'm
11	just curious what the dimensions are.
12	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Of the lot?
13	MS. PETINO: Carol Petino.
14	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Of the lot?
15	MS. PETINO: Yeah no, not of the lot, of the
16	new construction, so that I can understand lot
17	coverage.
18	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Well, it's I mean, it's
19	that.
20	MS. PETINO: 23.6% is 2478, would be 46-by-53.
21	What are the dimensions? Why is this a mystery?
22	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: That's what it looks like.
23	MS. PETINO: What are the dimensions?
24	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: I don't know, just like that.
25	MS. PETINO: How can you well, then how can

1	you
2	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: It was given to us by a
3	surveyor.
4	MS. PETINO: know what the lot coverage is
5	if you don't know what the dimensions are?
6	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Well, it was given to us
7	we went through this last time. It was given to us
8	by a surveyor, it was done by computer, and that's
9	what it comes out to.
10	MS. PETINO: What so what are the
11	dimensions?
12	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: I just said, it was given to
13	us by a surveyor, a licensed surveyor. We went
14	through this last time.
15	MS. PETINO: But why is it a mystery what the
16	dimensions are?
17	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: I'm not going to answer that
18	question anymore. I gave you the answer last time
19	and this time. If you have another question, please
20	ask it.
21	MS. PETINO: So you're not going to follow the
22	law, okay.
23	MR. MERRELL: But the Building Codes clearly
24	state the dimensions should be on there, and yet
25	they're not.

1	MS. PETINO: They're not.
2	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Okay. Do you have another
3	question?
4	MS. PETINO: Why won't you answer this
5	question?
6	MR. MERRELL: Why are you approving something
7	without the proper information on it?
8	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: This is a survey, okay? I'm
9	not do you have another question?
10	MS. PETINO: No, just this one.
11	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Okay. Asked and answered.
12	Do you have another question?
13	MS. PETINO: Well, you haven't answered it.
14	MR. MERRELL: You haven't answered.
15	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Okay. Does anybody else have
16	a question?
17	MR. MERRELL: I'd like to know why the house
18	measures bigger than what the survey says.
19	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: I'm relying on a surveyor,
20	and I am not privy to answer that. I'm going to
21	continue this
22	MS. PETINO: Then how can you make an educated,
23	knowledgeable decision?
24	MEMBER SARETSKY: I think Aram said this last
25	time.

1	MR. TERCHUNIAN: This is an irregularly shaped
2	house. We've been given a document that's signed and
3	sealed by a New York State Licensed Surveyor
4	certifying to the dimensions of that building. The
5	dimensions are clearly shown on the survey of the
6	side yard setbacks, front yard setbacks, rear yard
7	setbacks.
8	MS. PETINO: Where is the side yard setback? I
9	didn't see it on there.
10	MR. MERRELL: The setbacks are not listed, and
11	the side yards
12	MS. PETINO: Tell me what the side yard setback
13	is. I was unable to
14	MR. MERRELL: And according to the Building
15	Codes, those must be on there.
16	MR. TERCHUNIAN: As I was completing my
17	sentence in answer to your question
18	MS. PETINO: Thank you.
19	MR. TERCHUNIAN: all of those setbacks are
20	on that document, and the document is a signed,
21	sealed survey, and it speaks for itself.
22	MS. PETINO: So tell me. I could not see it on
23	there what the
24	MR. MERRELL: Why not the setback?
25	MS. PETINO: side yard setback is.

1	MR. MERRELL: If it's on there, point out the
2	setback on the map.
3	MS. PETINO: What is it?
4	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Joe is reviewing the document.
5	MS. PETINO: Can't you tell me what that number
6	is? Why? I've been asking since November?
7	MR. MERRELL: And the
8	MS. PETINO: That's it. That's pretty
9	straightforward.
10	MR. MERRELL: The codes say that has to be on
11	there. It is not there, period.
12	MR. TERCHUNIAN: If you would like to examine
13	this document, I'm pointing over here on the eastern
14	side, there are two measurements denoted. This is 13
15	feet from the eastern property line to the eastern
16	corner of the the southeastern corner of the deck,
17	so that's 13 feet. And then there's 16.7 feet from
18	the eastern boundary line to the southeastern corner
19	of the building. Those are the two side yard
20	setbacks on that side of the property. If we go over
21	to the left side of the property, we notice that
22	there's a side yard setback of 17.4 feet to the
23	corner of the building.
24	MS. PETINO: But this is there's something
25	here.

1	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Yes, and it is 13 I believe
2	that this is 4 feet, and this deck is 4 feet wide,
3	which would give you 13.4 feet on the western side of
4	the building. If you add those two together, you
5	will get the total side yard setback, and those
6	setbacks conform with what's called the Three-Tenths
7	Rule in the Village, where the total side yards have
8	to be three-tenths of the total lot width.
9	MR. MERRELL: So You're saying the two setbacks
10	are 13 and 13 on the two sides?
11	MR. TERCHUNIAN: 13.4 and 13 and 13.
12	MS. PETINO: So, if this is 30, that means that
13	this is 40 feet across. It's not. But this setback
14	is
15	MR. TERCHUNIAN: It's 69 feet.
16	MS. PETINO: 13 and 17. That comes to 30.
17	MR. MERRELL: No, no, it's 13 because of the
18	deck.
19	MS. PETINO: I know, but we're going by his
20	numbers, so that means this is only 40 feet across.
21	It's not.
22	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Ma'am, this Board what's in
23	front of this Board is the documents that have been
24	presented to the Board by a New York State Licensed
25	Surveyor certifying that these dimensions and

1	calculations are correct. If you have another
2	document that you believe challenges this, feel free
3	to bring it forward.
4	MS. PETINO: Okay, thank you.
5	MR. PROKOP: The applicant is asking for a
6	specific variance
7	MR. MERRELL: Okay. What is the back and the
8	front and the rear? It's showing his house as 44
9	feet wide. If you minus this, minus that, 40 feet,
10	because the lot is the lot.
11	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: We're going to accept this
12	document as submitted and we're going to vote on this
13	document as is.
14	MS. PETINO: What would be the this rear,
15	the line to here?
16	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Okay. We'd like to move
17	forward, please.
18	MS. PETINO: Go right ahead.
19	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Thank you.
20	MR. PROKOP: The applicant is requesting a
21	specific variance for lot coverage and then also for
22	setbacks.
23	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Yes.
24	MR. PROKOP: If it ends up we have a
25	certified document in front of us, which is what

1	we're required to have, a certified survey.
2	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Yes, we do.
3	MR. PROKOP: We if there's any the
4	applicant is limited to the relief that's granted by
5	the Board. So if there's some issue later on with
6	what's constructed, or that's another that's up to
7	the an issue created by the applicant for
8	themselves, has nothing to do with the Board. We may
9	grant or deny a specific variance and that would be
10	it, basically.
11	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Right.
12	MR. PROKOP: That would be what the applicant
L3	is limited to.
L4	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Right, right.
L5	MR. PROKOP: If we if it's approved.
16	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Okay. I was reviewing the
L7	file myself this morning and I had a couple of my own
L8	observations that I'd like to just mention to the
19	Board and to the public that is not part of this
20	application.
21	I don't see as part of this file yet any
22	variances requested for height, which I don't believe
23	that it is that it does exceed the height. I
24	don't see any requests for any relief in of the
) 5	side yards as it relates to the Pyramid Code I

1	don't believe that they violated the Pyramid Code,
2	but I don't see any relief requested, or any relief
3	for front yard setbacks as relates to the entry
4	stairs in the front yard. I'm assuming that the
5	Building Department will check that or has checked
6	that, and that if there is any relief that they may
7	need in the future, that they'll either come back to
8	this Board, or alter the house to comply with
9	whatever the code is.
10	Does the Board have any questions on that?
11	MR. GOLDFEDER. No. I agree with those
12	findings?
13	MR. SARETSKY: I'm fine.
14	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Do you have any questions on
15	that?
16	MR. NELSON: No.
17	MR. PROKOP: So any determination by this Board
18	is not a ruling on those three things, Pyramid Law,
19	height, or the front
20	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Yeah. There's been no
21	there has not been any relief requested as far as
22	those three items are concerned.
23	MR. GOLDFEDER: We would also like to receive a
24	set of the plans for the file. I think we should
25	have that for the package as well.

1	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Okay. And is there anything
2	else?
3	MEMBER SARETSKY: That covers it.
4	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Okay. At this time, I guess
5	we're about ready to
6	MR. PROKOP: Yeah, let's get the plans in front
7	of us.
8	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Say it again.
9	MR. PROKOP: Let's get the plans, so they're
10	part of the record, before we move on.
11	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Okay.
12	MR. PROKOP: Please.
13	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Yes.
14	MR. MERRELL: You've required on other
15	applications that we've sat here and listened to
16	previous variances for anything over 20%. Even that
17	plan says it's 23.4. Where's the where are the
18	variances for that? The house was built, changed in
19	the had the C of O in the mid '90s, so there
20	should be variances on the files for it to be at 23%.
21	Where are those variances?
22	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: I don't understand your
23	question.
24	MR. MERRELL: He's built at 23%, that's what
2.5	he's saving now. There is no variances to be at 23%

1	All the other houses
2	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: This is a new application.
3	We're reviewing this as a new application. We went
4	through this last time.
5	MR. MERRELL: All right. So he has no right
6	over 20%, then.
7	MS. PETINO: So, really, why
8	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Excuse me. We reviewed this
9	last time, okay? I don't want to go over this a
10	second time.
11	MS. PETINO: I do.
12	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Okay.
13	MR. MERRELL: But you did not make it clear
14	last time, okay?
15	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: This is a new application
16	that stands on its own.
17	MR. MERRELL: Okay.
18	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Okay?
19	MR. MERRELL: So which means
20	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: That's why he elected to come
21	back to this Board.
22	MR. MERRELL: Can I ask a question about that?
23	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: No. We went over this last
24	time. I don't want to go over it a second time.
25	MR. MERRELL: So there is no variances from

1	before?
2	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: I didn't say that.
3	MR. MERRELL: He's asking for a new variance?
4	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: I didn't say that. He's here
5	under a new application, and this application is
6	going to stand on its own.
7	MR. MERRELL: Okay.
8	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Thank you.
9	MR. MERRELL: Which means all previous
LO	MS. PETINO: So why is he able to build without
L1	approval? It continues to be built.
L2	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: I am not the Building
L3	Department.
L4	MR. MERRELL: Yes, you are.
L 5	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: No, I'm not.
L6	MR. MERRELL: You are the zone Zoning Board and
L7	you have a right to issue a stop work order at any
L8	moment.
L9	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: I am the Zoning Board, I am
20	not the Building Department. Thank you.
21	MR. MERRELL: You can no.
22	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: You have another question?
23	MR. PROKOP: Aram, what do we have? What did
24	we just get?
25	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Nothing.

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1	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: His application is clearly a
2	new application.
3	MEMBER SARETSKY: Uh-huh.
4	MR. PROKOP: Well, this application has to do
5	with the footprint, the right to build it's not
6	the difference between this variance that's requested
7	and some other variance. It's the right between this
8	it's the difference between this variance and the
9	footprint that's guaranteed by either the the
10	greater of either the footprint that's guaranteed by
11	the stipulation, the Rapf Stipulation, or the 20%.
12	They don't have to justify something else, I mean,
13	that's what it is under our code.
L4	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Correct, but this also is a
15	brand new application.
L6	MR. PROKOP: But it's a brand new a brand
L7	new application.
18	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Right.
L9	MEMBER SARETSKY: But the stip covers it,
20	right?
21	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Yes.
22	MEMBER SARETSKY: So that's the answer, I
23	guess.
24	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: All right. I'd like to make
25	a motion to close this hearing. Anybody like to

1	second?
2	MEMBER SARETSKY: Second.
3	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Okay. This hearing is
4	closed.
5	MR. NELSON: You're not going to vote on it?
6	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: We're going to do that at the
7	next meeting.
8	MR. TERCHUNIAN: So your motion is to close for
9	determination only.
10	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: For determination.
11	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Until the next meeting.
12	MR. NELSON: Tell me, why is that? I'm just
13	trying to understand.
14	MR. MERRELL: Can I see the survey for a
15	second?
16	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Sure.
17	MR. NELSON: Why aren't you voting?
18	MRS. NELSON: Because we don't have the plan?
19	MR. TERCHUNIAN: No. It's for the Board you
20	would still have to wait for a written decision
21	MRS. NELSON: Okay.
22	MR. TERCHUNIAN: because it's not written.
23	They vote today, and they write the decision, and
24	then read the decision into the record, because
2.5	it's

1	MR. GOLDFEDER: Any other questions from anyone
2	else?
3	MR. TERCHUNIAN: Well, you can't, you closed
4	the hearing.
5	MR. GOLDFEDER: Closed the hearing.
6	MR. PROKOP: If you want to wait a minute, we
7	can make those changes. If you sign them and give
8	them to Laura, that will be the filing of the
9	decision. It will just take me a second.
10	MR. GOLDFEDER: Motion to close the hearing.
11	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: I'd like to make a motion to
12	close the hearing.
13	MR. GOLDFEDER: I'll second that.
14	CHAIRMAN GESSIN: Thank you very much.
15	(Whereupon, the meeting was adjourned at 11:13 a.m.)
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