MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS OF HENRICO COUNTY, HELD IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING IN THE HENRICO COUNTY GOVERNMENT COMPLEX, ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2002, AT 9:00 A.M., NOTICE HAVING BEEN PUBLISHED IN THE RICHMOND TIMES-DISPATCH ON OCTOBER 3 AND 10, 2002.

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Members Present:

Daniel Balfour, Chairman
R. A. Wright, Vice-Chairman

Richard Kirkland

Gene L. McKinney, C.P.C., C.B.Z.A.

James W. Nunnally

Also Present:

Benjamin Blankinship, Secretary Susan W. Blackburn, County Planner II Priscilla M. Parker, Recording Secretary

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Mr. Balfour - I call the meeting of the County of Henrico Board of Zoning Appeals to order. Would you stand for the **Pledge of Allegiance.** Mr. Secretary, would you read the rules, please.

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Mr. Blankinship -Good morning, Mr. Chairman, Members of the Board, ladies and gentlemen. The rules for this meeting are as follows. As Secretary, I will call each case. Then at that time the applicant should come to the podium. I will ask everyone who intends to speak on that case, in favor or in opposition, to stand and be sworn in. The applicants will then present their testimony. After the applicant has spoken, the Board will ask them guestions, and then anyone else who wishes to speak will be given the opportunity. After everyone has spoken, the applicant, and only the applicant, will be given the opportunity for rebuttal. After hearing the case, and asking questions, the Board will take the matter under advisement. They will render all of their decisions at the end of the meeting. If you wish to know their decision on a specific case, you can either stay until the end of the meeting, or you can call the Planning Office later this afternoon. This meeting is being tape recorded, so we will ask everyone who speaks, to speak directly into the microphone on the podium, and to state your name. And finally, out in the foyer, there are two binders, containing the staff report for each case, including the suggested conditions.

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Mr. Balfour - Thank you sir. Do we have any requests for withdrawals or deferrals on the 9:00 o'clock docket?

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Mr. Blankinship - Not for 9:00 o'clock; we have one for 10:00 o'clock.

33 Mr. Balfour -I believe we have one deferred from the previous meeting. 34 Would you call that. 35 36 A -147-2002 MICHEL ZAJUR requests a variance from Section 24-95(i)(2)c. of 37 Chapter 24 of the County Code to build a detached garage at 38 12124 Gayton Manor Place (Gayton Park) (Parcel 732-762-3068), 39 zoned R-3AC, One-family Residence District (Conditional) (Three 40 Chopt). The accessory structure location requirement is not met. 41 The applicant proposes 2 feet separation between an accessory 42 structure and the existing dwelling, where the Code requires 10 43 The applicant requests a variance of 8 feet separation feet. 44 between an accessory structure and the existing dwelling. 45 46 Mr. Balfour -Any others to testify in this matter? Would both of you raise 47 your right hand and be sworn please. 48 49 Mr. Blankinship -Do you swear that the testimony you are about to give is the 50 truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you God? 51 52 Mr. Vanfossen -I do. My name is Tommy Vanfossen, and my father-in-law is 53 Michel Zajur. He's out of town, so I'm representing him today. He wants to build a 54 detached garage, 24 by 24, at this dwelling. He asks for an 8-foot separation, but he has a foot overhang on his house, and he was talking about putting a foot overhang on 55 his garage, which is where they got their 2 feet from. You actually have 4 feet in 56 between the 2 buildings. That's what this is for. 57 58 59 Mr. Balfour -You're saying the overhang is what creates the problem for 60 him? 61 62 Mr. Vanfossen -Yes sir. The overhang is on the roof of the house, and he 63 was going to put a foot overhang on the garage, but he said he didn't have to do that, 64 and it would be 4 feet in between the 2 buildings. 65 66 Mr. Balfour -Is that vacant lot behind the house? 67 68 Mr. Vanfossen -No sir. There is a house behind the house. 69 70 Mr. Balfour -Any questions by Board members? 71 72 How would you access this garage? Mr. Wright-73 74 Mr. Vanfossen -From the front?

Mr. Wright-

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You'd come in on the right side facing the dwelling, from the

79 80 81	Mr. Vanfossen - side of the house.	You would access it from the driveway, which is on the right
82 83 84	Mr. Wright- So you'd have to construct	There's an asphalt drive there now, in front of the house? ta driveway down the side of the house, correct?
85 86	Mr. Vanfossen -	Correct.
87 88 89	-	Mr. Vanfossen, when you're speaking of the overhang, ffit on the house? What is that, a 10 or 12 inch?
90 91	Mr. Vanfossen -	Yes sir, it's a 12-inch overhang on the house.
92 93 94 95	Mr. Wright- base of the house to the house?	Outside of the soffit, or the overhang, how far is it from the base of the garage? Do we know that, the actual physical
96 97 98	Mr. Vanfossen - would be 4 feet.	From the house actually to the garage building itself? It
99 00 01	Mr. Balfour- and the border, it looks like	That drive is going on the right-hand side between the house it's about 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet there.
02 03 04	Mr. McKinney - breezeway?	Mr. Blankinship, what happens if he connects this with a
05 06 07	Mr. Blankinship - for the dwelling.	Then it would have to meet the side and rear yard setbacks
08 09	Mr. McKinney -	The same as the house.
10 11 12 13		Yes sir. But it does look like there's room to the left side of ge back there and to meet all the setbacks. Is there a reason e?
14 15 16 17 18	, ,	The driveway already being there, and he wanted a garage, he said he could actually move the driveway and he wanted of the flow, what he wanted to do with his yard. The driveway
19 20 21	Mr. Wright - it would satisfy the zoning	How far would you have to move it over Mr. Blankinship, so requirements?
22 23 24	Mr. Blankinship - say, not too far, something	It's hard to tell without a scale on this drawing, but I would like the middle of the house.

125 Mr. Kirkland -Then you could enter from he side.

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127 Mr. Wright-You could turn the garage around and enter from that way.

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129 Mr. Vanfossen -Try moving the garage behind the house.

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131 Mr. Wright-And if you wanted to access, turn it around so you could 132 come in. This looks like to me, is going to be a little awkward to get it in there, you may 133 be able to get it in there, but it looks like it's going to be a little awkward to access the 134 garage from where it is.

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136 Mr. Vanfossen -He was going to put a 24 by 24 and put a 16-foot door on the 137 front of the garage, one opening.

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139 It's a 2-car garage though. Mr. Wright-

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141 Mr. Vanfossen -Yes sir, but he's going to put a 16-foot door on the front of it.

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143 Mr. Wright-Overhead door. I understand, but still the corner of the 144 house is almost mid-way of the garage.

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146 Mr. Balfour -Any other questions?

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Mr. McKinney – Is this County water and sewer?

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150 Mr. Blankinship -Yes sir, I'm sure it is.

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152 Mr. Balfour -Thank you sir. Did you want to speak?

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Mr. Cooke -My name is James Cooke: I live in the adjoining lot, lot 9, to the right of this. I can't say I'm in opposition to Mr. Zajur on the garage, because I think as a member of the association, it helps property value. It's the only house in the subdivision that doesn't have a garage. It was a ranch that was moved back from the front up on Gayton, the original house for the acreage. We have some concerns about noise, about the driveway coming right down along the lot line. I've got 3 sons, and they've got some play equipment back there right where the garage is going to sit, and if you look at the site plan for the lot, one of the members was speaking about the difficulty in getting down that line and making that turn, and I don't see how he's going to do it. We were told the house was approved to get a garage or was going to have a garage on the lot, but we were all under the assumption, or were told it was going to be on the other side of the property.

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167 Mr. Balfour -The other corner. Is there a fence near between – you're on 168 the

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170 Mr. Cooke -Lot 10 and Gayton Station are adjoining, yes, that fence

171	belongs to the people in C	Gayton Station; that's not Mr. Zajur's.
172 173 174	Mr. Balfour -	There's not a fence then between. You're on lot 9 next to it?
175 176 177	Mr. Cooke - lot, and that's a few feet o	I'm on lot 9. That view there, that's the playset right on my over.
177 178 179	Mr. Wright-	What is that play station there – is that on your property?
180 181 182 183	Mr. Cooke - his house right here on t was a ranch made into a	Yes. Those 3 or 4 trees and bushes there, you're looking at he right. It's U-shaped; he's got 2 extensions off the back; it duplex actually.
184 185 186	_	Would you have any objection if he moved the garage over house, away from that corner?
187 188 189 190 191	•	So that he would make the turn and come in? I've got to be n't seen anything to indicate how they plan to do it, and I'm as to how they actually plan. To me, that would make more
192 193 194 195	Mr. Wright- wouldn't be here. He wou right to do that.	Of course, if he did that and complied with the ordinance, he uld not have to come to this Board. He would have the perfect
196 197	Mr. Cooke -	It's a large lot; it's the largest lot in the subdivision.
198 199	Mr. Balfour-	Your driveway would be adjacent to his driveway.
200 201 202 203		No, actually our driveway is not shown here. Our driveway, and he does have a large area there on the drawing. It's just end that back along my line, and I can't see what that
204 205	Mr. Wright-	What is your house number?
206 207	Mr. Cooke -	Lot 9, 12120.
208 209	Mr. Wright-	I see it, yes.
210 211 212	Mr. Cooke - where it's going to be place	So again, I'm not opposed; I'm just a little concerned about ced.
213 214 215	Mr. Balfour - anything further?	Any other questions? Thank you sir. Would you like to say
216	Mr. Vanfossen -	I understood where he's concerned about his children, as far

as the garage or the driveway. I don't know if this will matter, but as soon as he gets this done, he's talking about putting up a fence around the house to match the one on the other side that you saw on the drawing. I don't know if that helps things or not. That's what they're planning on doing. Mr. Zajur has a lot of grandchildren himself, so they're from a huge family, so he understands the noise and all that.

Mr. Balfour - Thank you sir.

Upon a motion by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Kirkland, the Board **denied** application **A-147-2002** for a variance to build a detached garage at 12124 Gayton Manor Place (Gayton Park) (Parcel 732-762-3068). The Board denied your request as it found from the evidence presented that approving the variance would be of substantial detriment to adjacent property or would materially impair the purpose of the zoning regulations.

Affirmative:	Balfour, Kirkland, McKinney, Nunnally, Wright	5
Negative:		0
Absent:		0

A -152-2002

MARK S. DESGAIN requests a variance from Section 24-94 of Chapter 24 of the County Code to build an addition at 10704 Shadyford Lane (Woods at Innsbrook) (Parcel 753-764-6788), zoned R-3A, One-family Residence District (Three Chopt). The rear yard setback is not met. The applicant proposes 24 feet rear yard setback, where the Code requires 35 feet rear yard setback. The applicant requests a variance of 11 feet rear yard setback.

Mr. Balfour - Any others to testify in this matter? Would you raise your right hand and be sworn please.

Mr. Blankinship - Do you swear that the testimony you are about to give is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you God?

Mr. Desgain - I do. My name is Mark S. Desgain. What I want to do, is put an addition on the back of the present dwelling that is 22 by 22, and once we laid that off, we realized that the rear yard setback was not met, which is 35 feet. We're proposing changing that with a variance of 11 feet, so that I think the rear yard setback is 24 feet.

Mr. Wright- It looks like it almost meets it at that left corner facing the dwelling. You have an odd-shaped lot, which causes you the problem.

Mr. Desgain - Yes I do. I think if I were going to put a garage in, I'd put it in that back left corner, but in this case, it's coming off of the house. It's a family room. I have 3 sons, and my wife's just decided that they need a large room to keep track of them.

263 264	Mr. Wright -	Is it one-story or two-story?
265 266	Mr. Desgain -	The addition is one-story.
267 268	Mr. Wright -	And what type of construction will it be?
269 270	Mr. Desgain -	It'll be wood frame with vinyl siding; we'll use a vinyl window.
271 272	Mr. Wright -	Will it match the house?
273 274 275 276	once this little project is do	Yes sir, yes, we're going to vinyl side the rest of the house one. There's no plumbing in there; there will just be electricity and air will come through from the main house.
277 278	Mr. Wright -	What will happen to that deck that's there?
279 280 281 282	•	At this time the deck is just being done away with. I'm not back there. I may do something on the side area, on the left ing at it there.
283 284 285	Mr. Wright - rear there, that little area t	So your deck will be removed? How abut the window on the hat protrudes out from the house.
286 287 288 289	Mr. Desgain - become a cased opening That's a kitchen where that	That angled bay will be done away with; that will actually with a knee wall, so that you can look into the new main room. It is.
290 291	Mr. McKinney -	You can use that on the side of your addition.
292 293 294	Mr. Desgain - millwork for a living.	That angled bay? Unfortunately, it's a little rotted, and I sell
295 296	Mr. Kirkland -	Time to get rid of it?
297 298	Mr. Desgain -	Yes sir; we're just going to do away with that and the deck.
299 300	Mr. Balfour -	Any other questions? Thank you.
301	After an advertised public	c hearing and on a motion by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr.

After an advertised public hearing and on a motion by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. McKinney, the Board **granted** application **A-152-2002** for a variance to build an addition at 10704 Shadyford Lane (Woods at Innsbrook) (Parcel 753-764-6788). The Board granted the variance subject to the following condition:

1. Only the addition shown on the plan filed with the application may be constructed pursuant to this approval. No substantial changes or additions to the layout may be

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308 made without the approval of the Board of Zoning Appeals. Any additional 309 improvements shall comply with the applicable regulations of the County Code. 310 311 2. The new construction shall match the existing dwelling as nearly as practical. 312 313 Affirmative: Balfour, Kirkland, McKinney, Nunnally, Wright 5 314 Negative: 0 315 Absent: 0 316 317 The Board granted this request, as it found from the evidence presented that, due to the 318 unique circumstances of the subject property, strict application of the County Code 319 would produce undue hardship not generally shared by other properties in the area, and 320 authorizing this variance will neither cause a substantial detriment to adjacent property 321 nor materially impair the purpose of the zoning regulations. 322 323 A -154-2002 JOHN AND LINDA SKORACKYJ request a variance from Section 324 24-94 of Chapter 24 of the County Code to build a screened porch 325 over the existing deck at 929 Ayers Way (Ayers Tavern) (Parcel 785-762-5845), zoned R-3AC, One-family Residence District 326 (Conditional) (Fairfield). The rear yard setback is not met. The 327 applicants propose 25 feet rear yard setback, where the Code 328 329 requires 35 feet rear yard setback. The applicants request a 330 variance of 10 feet rear yard setback. 331 332 Mr. Balfour -Any others to testify in this matter? Would you raise your 333 right hand and be sworn please. 334 335 Do you swear that the testimony you are about to give is the Mr. Blankinship truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you God? 336 337 338 Yes sir. John Skorackyj. We want to put a screened porch Mr. Skorackyj on an existing deck that's already there. We have, I think it's supposed to be a 35-foot 339 340 variance, and by being on the deck that was already on there when we bought the 341 home, that's going to knock it down to 25 feet. We request a 10-foot variance. 342 343 Mr. Balfour -Looks like you've got some neighbors who want you to do it 344 too. 345 346 Yes sir, they said they didn't oppose anything. Actually we Mr. Skorackyj had 4 letters, but the gentleman to the right of our property, we're on Ayers Way, and 347 348 he's on Tavern Green, and he got his in a little late. We submitted it, but I don't know 349 whether it got to the Board in time. 350 351

Mr. Skorackyj -

Mr. Wright -

352 353 Is his name Mr. Deem?

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355 356	Mr. Kirkland -	We got it this morning.	
357 358 359	Mr. Skorackyj - across the street.	So they're kind of behind us, beside us, to the left of u	ıs, and
360 361 362	Mr. Balfour - roof you put on there?	Is that an old home, did you move there, or is that a	steep
363 364 365 366	•	No, I was told that that home was kind of facing Tele over in that section like that, in that lot. That's wholder home than the rest of them, yes sir.	•
367 368	M. Balfour -	Sure looks like it.	
369 370 371	Mr. Skorackyj - They've re-done the inside	It's got hardwood doors in it, and it's pretty well const of it.	ructed.
372 373	Mr. Balfour -	Any questions of Board members?	
374 375	Mr. Wright-	Is this addition – will it be the same size as the deck?	
376 377 378		Yes sir, I believe it's, that's what the gentleman who's night extend it a little bit, over to the left and additional of the property, no sir.	
379 380 381	Mr. Balfour -	Any other questions? Thank you.	
382 383 384 385 386 387	Wright, the Board granted porch over the existing de The Board granted the var	hearing and on a motion by Mr. McKinney, seconded application A-154-2002 for a variance to build a scick at 929 Ayers Way (Ayers Tavern) (Parcel 785-762-iance subject to the following condition: The existing deck may be constructed pursuant	reened -5845).
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391 392	2. The new construction	on shall match the existing dwelling as nearly as practic	al.
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authorizing this variance will neither cause a substantial detriment to adjacent property nor materially impair the purpose of the zoning regulations.

A -155-2002 KENNETH A. PLOTZ requests a variance from Section 24-94 of Chapter 24 of the County Code to build a screened porch over an

Chapter 24 of the County Code to build a screened porch over an existing deck at 4009 Graham Meadows Court (Graham Meadows) (Parcel 729-764-9622), zoned C-1C, Conservation District (Conditional) and R-3AC, One-family Residence District (Conditional) (Three Chopt). The rear yard setback is not met. The applicant proposes 31.33 feet rear yard setback, where the Code requires 35 feet rear yard setback. The applicant requests a variance of 3.67 feet rear yard setback.

Mr. Balfour - Any others to testify in this matter? Would you raise your right hand and be sworn please.

Mr. Blankinship - Do you swear that the testimony you are about to give is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you God?

Mr. Plotz - I certainly do. I'm Ken Plotz. First of all, I want to state that I'm not going to build a screened in porch over an existing deck. The deck that is there is very small; I'm going to tear that down and build a new one. As you can see, it's a pie-shaped lot, forcing our dwelling to be built back basically into the middle of it, but that really restricts my rear yard setback. This is a very low lying community. Down the particular road that I live on, there is a lot of mosquitoes; there is a lot of marshland further back into a commons area, so this building is basically just for convenience and comfort for my family. The 10 by 20 screened in porch that I would like to construct approaches that setback by about 3 ½ feet. I'm asking for that variance.

Mr. Wright - What's located to the rear of your property?

 Mr. Plotz - It is a commons area, and behind the commons area is basically a large field. About 200 yards of that field is Henrico County, and after that is Goochland County. It is my understanding that as a low lying area, it can never receive any construction in that particular area.

Mr. Wright- So there's no way this could ever have any impact on anybody to the rear of you.

Mr. Balfour - Any other questions by Board members? Thank you sir.

 After an advertised public hearing and on a motion by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Kirkland, the Board **granted** application **A-155-2002** for a variance to build a screened porch over an existing deck at 4009 Graham Meadows Court (Graham Meadows) (Parcel 729-764-9622). The Board granted the variance subject to the following conditions:

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 447 1. Only the improvements shown on the plan filed with the application may be
 448 constructed pursuant to this approval. No substantial changes or additions to the layout
 449 may be made without the approval of the Board of Zoning Appeals. Any additional
 450 improvements shall comply with the applicable regulations of the County Code.
 - 2. The new construction shall match the existing dwelling as nearly as practical.

454 Affirmative: Balfour, Kirkland, McKinney, Nunnally, Wright 5
455 Negative: 0
456 Absent: 0

The Board granted this request, as it found from the evidence presented that, due to the unique circumstances of the subject property, strict application of the County Code would produce undue hardship not generally shared by other properties in the area, and authorizing this variance will neither cause a substantial detriment to adjacent property nor materially impair the purpose of the zoning regulations.

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TALBOT AND MARTHA CORNETT request a variance from Section 24-94 of Chapter 24 of the County Code to build an attached garage at 9635 Rainbrook Drive (Rainbrook) (Parcel 747-747-4176), zoned R-3, One-family Residence District (Tuckahoe). The front yard setback and total side yard setback are not met. The applicants propose 39 feet front yard setback and 24 feet total side yard setback, where the Code requires 40 feet front yard setback and 30 feet total side yard setback. The applicants request a variance of 1 foot front yard setback and 6 feet total side yard setback.

Mr. Balfour - Any others to testify in this matter? Would you raise your right hand and be sworn please.

Mr. Blankinship - Do you swear that the testimony you are about to give is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you God?

Mr. Cornett - I do. My name is Talbot Cornett. We would like to build an attached garage on the side of my house. The dimensions are 19 by 30. We would like to extend our bedroom over top of the garage and add a bathroom in the back. The bathroom that we have is very small, so we want to put our bathroom over top of that and convert our bathroom to our mother-in-law's bathroom, so she can have her own bathroom. The side of the property is pretty wide. I don't know why there would be any problem. There's quite a bit of distance between our property and our neighbors.

Mr. Wright- The problem is not how close it is to the line there, the problem is caused because you have to have a certain distance from both sides of the house and the sideline. This is a total side yard requirement, not how far it is from the

sideline. The ordinance requires it. How far is that house which is at 9637 from your sideline? That's your next door neighbor.

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495 Mr. Cornett - He's got a pretty good area.

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Mr. Wright- In other words, he's not jammed up there to the line, that this would cause him any problem.

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500 Mr. Cornett - He has a wider lot than I do. His is not as deep, but it's 501 wider.

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503 Mr. Blankinship - The staff report says approximately 60 feet.

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505 Mr. Wright- Looks like you have a good deal of screening there too between your property and the next-door neighbor's property.

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508 Mr. Cornett - Screening?

Mr. Wright-

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512 Mr. Cornett - Oh yes, quite a few. I've had 7 trees cut out of my front yard, and on the side of my house. We wanted the depth of the garage so that we

Trees, bushes.

- 514 could park 2 cars. I have a small truck and a larger vehicle that we wanted to park back 515 to back. The garage will be 19 feet, so I'm not really sure whether that will be wide
- enough to get 2 vehicles in there side by side.

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518 Mr. Wright- What's the size of the proposed garage?

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520 Mr. Cornett - Nineteen by 30.

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522 Mr. Wright- Nineteen wide – you're not going to get 2 cars in there, I can tell you that. It takes 24 really to do it right.

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525 Mr. Balfour - Any other questions by members of the Board? Thank you.

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528 529 After an advertised public hearing and on a motion by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. McKinney, the Board **granted** application **A-156-2002** for a variance to build an attached garage at 9635 Rainbrook Drive (Rainbrook) (Parcel 747-747-4176). The Board granted the variance subject to the following conditions:

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1. Only the attached garage shown on the plan filed with the application may be constructed pursuant to this approval. No substantial changes or additions to the layout may be made without the approval of the Board of Zoning Appeals. Any additional improvements shall comply with the applicable regulations of the County Code.

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2. The new construction shall match the existing dwelling as nearly as practical.

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539 Affirmative: Balfour, Kirkland, McKinney, Nunnally, Wright 5
540 Negative: 0
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The Board granted this request, as it found from the evidence presented that, due to the unique circumstances of the subject property, strict application of the County Code would produce undue hardship not generally shared by other properties in the area, and authorizing this variance will neither cause a substantial detriment to adjacent property nor materially impair the purpose of the zoning regulations.

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PAUL AND THANH SARGENT request a variance from Section 24-94 of Chapter 24 of the County Code to build a screened porch over the existing deck at 10908 Tray Way (Lexington) (Parcel 751-761-1986), zoned R-4C, One-family Residence District (Conditional) (Three Chopt). The rear yard setback is not met. The applicants propose 27 feet rear yard setback, where the Code requires 35 feet rear yard setback. The applicants request a variance of 8 feet rear yard setback.

Mr. Balfour - Any others to testify in this matter? Raise your right hand and be sworn please.

Mr. Blankinship - Do you swear that the testimony you are about to give is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you God?

Mr. Sargent - I do. Paul Sargent. We're looking to build over our existing deck. In fact the plans have changed slightly, in that we are going to remove that deck and build a new one in place of it, but it will be in the same place where the deck stands now. Once again, it's a screened-in porch, 10 by 15. The deck that's going to go out to the right of that is not going to go any further into the rear yard setback than the enclosure does itself. We've got homeowners' approval from our association. We also have support from both our side neighbors and our rear neighbor. That is essentially the layout of what we'd like to do.

Mr. Wright- How close is that house to the rear of you, from your property line?

Mr. Sargent - There is 27 feet from where the deck is there, back to our property line, and there's 46 feet from their deck to their property line, for a total of 73 feet between the edge of their deck and what would be our screened-in porch.

Mr. Wright- Pretty good area back there, and his house seems to be sort of on an angle from your house too.

Mr. Sargent - It is slightly. I would say they're not directly behind one

another, but they're pretty close to one behind the other.

586 Mr. Wright- How about screening, trees, etc.?

Mr. Sargent - They have more trees in their back yard. Our trees are located more on the side of our property. You can see way off to the left, we have trees all up to the side, and there's that one tree you can see there with the retaining wall around it.

593 Mr. Wright- Is that in your back yard or theirs?

Mr. Sargent - That's our back yard, our dog.

597 M. Balfour - Any other questions? Thank you.

After an advertised public hearing and on a motion by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Nunnally, the Board **granted** application **A-157-2002** for a variance to build a screened porch over the existing deck at 10908 Tray Way (Lexington) (Parcel 751-761-1986). The Board granted the variance subject to the following conditions:

1. Only the improvements shown on the plan filed with the application may be constructed pursuant to this approval. No substantial changes or additions to the layout may be made without the approval of the Board of Zoning Appeals. Any additional improvements shall comply with the applicable regulations of the County Code.

2. The new construction shall match the existing dwelling as nearly as practical.

611 Affirmative: Balfour, Kirkland, McKinney, Nunnally, Wright 5
612 Negative: 0
613 Absent: 0

 The Board granted this request, as it found from the evidence presented that, due to the unique circumstances of the subject property, strict application of the County Code would produce undue hardship not generally shared by other properties in the area, and authorizing this variance will neither cause a substantial detriment to adjacent property nor materially impair the purpose of the zoning regulations.

A -158-2002 MICHAEL T. CRIST requests a variance from Section 24-94 of Chapter 24 of the County Code to build an addition at 2105 Summerhook Court (Summerfield) (Parcel 779-764-2769), zoned R-4, One-family Residence District (Fairfield). The front yard setback and rear yard setback are not met. The applicant proposes 33 feet front yard setback and 31 feet rear yard setback, where the Code requires 35 feet front yard setback and 35 feet rear vard setback. The applicant requests a variance of 2 feet front yard setback and 4 feet rear yard setback.

Mr. Balfour - Any others to testify in this matter? Would you raise your right hand and be sworn please.

Mr. Blankinship - Do you swear that the testimony you are about to give is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you God?

Mr. Crist - Yes I do. Mike Crist. I want to build an addition out to the side of my home. That deck would be removed, and that piece there would be removed, and that would stay, and the rest of the addition would be built on top of it, the second floor, and come out to the side. When the addition is done, while building the addition, the whole house would be vinyl sided. The entire house would be re-roofed. On the other side of the tree you can see a chimney; that will be coming down to put a vented gas type of fireplace in. The porch on the front of the house will go the entire length of the house instead of just over the front door and the first window.

Mr. Nunnally - I see you have a lot of support from your neighbors here.

Mr. Crist - Yes sir. Well, we've been there since the neighborhood was built, and 90% of the people in the cul-de-sac are original people, and the guy that lives right behind me is original. Our kids have grown up together. The reason we're building the house is because we just had a baby, and the tree over on the edge was from a baby we lost, and so that's why we're real reluctant to move.

Mr. Wright - What would you use this addition for?

Mr. Crist - There will be a master bedroom upstairs; then my daughter will move into the bedroom that we're currently in, and her bedroom will be the baby's bedroom, and my son will stay where he is. There will be a den downstairs; the kitchen will be expanded, and a utility room will be added.

Mr. Wright - What will happen to that little area that's on the side of the house right there?

Mr. Crist - That's a bathroom right there, so the top will come off of it, and that's going to be part of the support structure. In fact, the bedroom will be above it. On this side of that wall will be where the utility room is going to be. Right where your little hand was, that's the venting for the gas heat. All of that will move to this side of that wall inside the utility room, and that existing bathroom will stay there. I've got the plans here if you want to look at them, but that will be part of the support structure for the second floor.

Mr. Wright - So it will be incorporated into the new?

674 Mr. Crist - Yes sir, yes sir, now the deck is being taken out, and there 675 won't be any place to put a deck actually.

677 Mr. Wright - You don't use it anyhow, do you?

679 Mr. Crist - The only thing we do on it is walk across it and use the gas 680 grill; that's about it. The dogs use it.

682 Mr. Balfour - Any other questions? Thank you.

 After an advertised public hearing and on a motion by Mr. McKinney, seconded by Mr. Kirkland, the Board **granted** application **A-158-2002** for a variance to build an addition at 2105 Summerhook Court (Summerfield) (Parcel 779-764-2769). The Board granted the variance subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Only the addition shown on the plan filed with the application may be constructed pursuant to this approval. No substantial changes or additions to the layout may be made without the approval of the Board of Zoning Appeals. Any additional improvements shall comply with the applicable regulations of the County Code.
- 2. The new construction shall match the existing dwelling as nearly as practical.

696 Affirmative: Balfour, Kirkland, McKinney, Nunnally, Wright 5
697 Negative: 0
698 Absent: 0

The Board granted this request, as it found from the evidence presented that, due to the unique circumstances of the subject property, strict application of the County Code would produce undue hardship not generally shared by other properties in the area, and authorizing this variance will neither cause a substantial detriment to adjacent property nor materially impair the purpose of the zoning regulations.

A -159-2002 DAVID AND CATHERINE FOSTER request a variance from Section 24-94 of Chapter 24 of the County Code to build an attached garage at 10614 Baypines Lane (Wynmoor) (Parcel 736-748-5876), zoned R-2, One-family Residence District (Tuckahoe). The minimum side yard setback is not met. The applicants propose 9 feet minimum side yard setback, where the Code requires 15 feet minimum side yard setback. The applicants request a variance of 6 feet minimum side yard setback.

Mr. Balfour - Any others to testify in this matter? Would both of you raise your right hand and be sworn please.

Mr. Blankinship - Do you swear that the testimony you are about to give is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you God?

721 Ms. Foster - I do. Catherine Foster. We request a 6-foot side variance to

build a 2-car attached garage, and we will make it fit with the rest of the house. We plan on adding 2 carriage doors so that it looks like a carriage house. Our neighbors on the side have a very large side lot, and we talked to them, and they said they don't mind if we build the garage because there are so many trees, it's very private.

727 Mr. Balfour - Both of the houses look like they're pretty far from your 728 border.

730 Ms. Foster - Right.

732 Mr. Wright - You've got kind of a funny shaped lot too, odd shaped lot.

Ms. Foster - It's a very odd-shaped lot, so it was hard to figure out the best place to put it. We consulted an architect, and he thought that was one of the best places, and as far as the flow of the house, that would be the best place to put a garage as well.

739 Mr. Wright - You already have a driveway on that side.

741 Ms. Foster - Right. The driveway's already there.

743 Mr. Wright - Looks like a lot of trees in this area too.

745 Ms. Foster - A lot, we have a lot of trees.

747 Mr. Balfour - Any other questions? Thank you.

After an advertised public hearing and on a motion by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. McKinney, the Board **granted** application **A-159-2002** for a variance to build an attached garage at 10614 Baypines Lane (Wynmoor) (Parcel 736-748-5876). The Board granted the variance subject to the following conditions:

 1. Only the garage shown on the plan filed with the application may be constructed pursuant to this approval. No substantial changes or additions to the layout may be made without the approval of the Board of Zoning Appeals. Any additional improvements shall comply with the applicable regulations of the County Code.

2. The new construction shall match the existing dwelling as nearly as practical.

761 Affirmative: Balfour, Kirkland, McKinney, Nunnally, Wright 5
762 Negative: 0
763 Absent: 0

The Board granted this request, as it found from the evidence presented that, due to the unique circumstances of the subject property, strict application of the County Code would produce undue hardship not generally shared by other properties in the area, and

authorizing this variance will neither cause a substantial detriment to adjacent property nor materially impair the purpose of the zoning regulations.

A -160-2002

ERIC L. GILLESPIE requests a variance from Section 24-94 of Chapter 24 of the County Code to build an addition at 1610 Denham Court (Pinedale Farms) (Parcel 751-748-4212), zoned R-2A, One-family Residence District (Tuckahoe). The rear yard setback is not met. The applicant proposes 38 feet rear yard setback, where the Code requires 45 feet rear yard setback. The applicant requests a variance of 7 feet rear yard setback.

Mr. Balfour - Any others to testify in this matter? Would you raise your right hand and be sworn please.

Mr. Blankinship - Do you swear that the testimony you are about to give is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you God?

Mr. Gillespie -I do. My name is Eric Gillespie. We would like to add a family room off the back of our house. It's 14 by 16, coming directly out of the kitchen. You can tell by our lot, it's very odd-shaped, and because the house is set back to meet the front yard setback, they put it in the middle of the lot, which caused the rear to be very shallow. What we're requesting is 7 feet. As I said, our extension will come where you see the gas meters there on the right, and the deck goes out farther than it would extend. As you can see, of the surrounding property, we're actually touched by 6 properties. The immediate one on the right will not be able to see the addition, and there are trees and lots of screen. The next one over also has a lot of screen. The third one coming around, there's a big tree, and then a hedge goes down to the next one, which is about 15 feet tall. They have to come and cut it because of the power lines, from time to time, right behind the play equipment. The next lot down, neighbors just moved in and put up an 8-foot privacy fence, so I don't think they would be concerned, and then the lot right next to us, where this picture is taken from, has about a15-foot hedge also. Really none of the properties, except maybe this brown one directly behind us, could even see the new addition, and we will be making it all the same siding. We're about ready to side the back of the house, and it would all be vinyl siding, and so it would match the house entirely.

Mr. McKinney - Mr. Gillespie, are you sure they put up an 8-foot privacy fence?

Mr. Gillespie - That's what I was told; I didn't go out and measure it.

Mr. McKinney - The Code won't let you put up an 8-foot privacy fence. Seven is the maximum.

812 Mr. Gillespie - Like I said, it's their fence. That's a different story. They just moved in. The brown house is currently rented, and the new owner is planning to come

back in. Our neighborhood has been turning over quite a bit, and when we moved in 9 years ago, we were the first house to be sold within the previous 18 months. We would like to stay, but because we have 3 young children, 8, 5, and 3, the house size is getting kind of tight, and we would like to not have to move.

819 Mr. Wright - You want some breathing room.

821 Mr. Gillespie - Yes please.

823 Mr. McKinney - Do you have a variance for that privacy fence, Mr. 824 Blankinship?

826 Mr. Blankinship - We didn't research that.

Mr. Gillespie - And that's not why I'm here. We are in the process of getting to know them. My wife has had contact with them, but basically, we would just love to stay. This is where my 3 children were born. We have the marks on the door jams as they grow, and this would help us continue to stay in this house in this neighborhood.

Mr. Balfour - Any other questions? Thank you.

Mr. Gillespie - One last thing about – because of the shape of the lot, none of my associated neighbors share this problem, and so it makes us rather unique in this cul-de-sac. Thank you.

After an advertised public hearing and on a motion by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. McKinney, the Board **granted** application **A-160-2002** for a variance to build an addition at 1610 Denham Court (Pinedale Farms) (Parcel 751-748-4212). The Board granted the variance subject to the following conditions:

1. Only the addition shown on the plan filed with the application may be constructed pursuant to this approval. No substantial changes or additions to the layout may be made without the approval of the Board of Zoning Appeals. Any additional improvements shall comply with the applicable regulations of the County Code.

2. The new construction shall match the existing dwelling as nearly as practical.

852	Affirmative:	Balfour, Kirkland, McKinney, Nunnally, Wright	5
853	Negative:		0
854	Absent:		0

 The Board granted this request, as it found from the evidence presented that, due to the unique circumstances of the subject property, strict application of the County Code would produce undue hardship not generally shared by other properties in the area, and

authorizing this variance will neither cause a substantial detriment to adjacent property nor materially impair the purpose of the zoning regulations.

A -161-2002 CHARLES CLAUDE GARRISON requests a variance from Sections 24-95(b)(6) and 24-9 of Chapter 24 of the County Code to build a one-family dwelling at 5411 Edgefield Street (Chamberlayne Estates) (Parcel 790-746-1540), zoned R-4, One-family Residence District (Fairfield). The lot width requirement, public street frontage requirement, and total lot area requirement are not met. The applicant has 5,009 square feet total lot area,40 feet lot width, and 40 feet public street frontage, where the Code requires 6,000 square feet total lot area, 50 feet lot width, and 50 feet public street frontage. The applicant requests a variance of 991 square feet

Mr. Balfour - Any others to testify in this matter? Would you raise your right hand and be sworn please.

total lot area, 10 feet lot width and 10 feet public street frontage.

Mr. Blankinship - Do you swear that the testimony you are about to give is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you God?

 Mr. Walker - I do. Good morning, gentlemen. My name is Eric Walker; I'm representing Mr. Garrison in this matter. Suntech Homes is the contract purchaser of this lot. I am representing Suntech Homes also. I have contracted with my employer to build this dwelling. It's a single-family dwelling, very similar to what's built next door. A variance was also granted on that lot, which you'll see there on the left. The house that we're proposing is basically the same structure, with some aesthetic or front elevation differences.

Mr. Balfour - Any questions by Board members?

Mr. McKinney - Mr. Walker, you have a contract on this house?

Mr. Walker - Yes sir. I currently live a block down the road on Wilmer, and I purchased that lot about a year and a half ago, not realizing how congested Wilmer and Woodrow Avenue was, and I have a 9-year-old daughter who, I don't even let her play outside because of the traffic that's diverted off of Azalea Avenue onto Chamberlayne.

898 Mr. Balfour - You say the other lots along Edgefield are 40, in fact one house is already built on one that's 40 feet across?

901 Mr. Walker - That's correct. The lots along this side of Edgefield, most of them in this section are 40 feet wide.

Mr. McKinney - You'd better build it well if you only live a little ways away

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906	N/s Wight	It appears that there are no other bouses built on
907	Mr. Wright -	It appears that there are no other houses built on
908	Greenwood Gien Drive on	the north side, is that correct?
909	NA. MALER .	The Commence of the Comment has a 20 hours for a comment
910	Mr. Walker -	That's correct sir; that road hasn't been improved.
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912	Mr. Wright -	How wide are those lots, 516, 514; they look about the
913	same. Forty feet? Mr. Bla	ankinship, how come these lots got to be 40 feet?
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915	Mr. Walker -	Yes, they're 40 feet.
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917	•	They're just so old. They were recorded in 1935. I guess
918	we had a zoning ordinance	e, but it wasn't very strict.
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920	Mr. Wright -	So 40 feet was what was permitted then.
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922	Mr. McKinney -	So you've got to extend the water and sewer?
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924		Actually the water and sewer are there in the street, so
925	there's no extension neede	ed.
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927	Mr. Balfour -	Any other questions? Thank you.
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929	•	hearing and on a motion by Mr. McKinney, seconded by Mr.
930	•	d application A-161-2002 for a variance to build a one-family
931	•	Street (Chamberlayne Estates) (Parcel 790-746-1540). The
932	Board granted the variance	e subject to the following conditions:
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934		es only to the public street frontage and lot width requirement.
935	All other applicable regulation	tions of the County Code shall remain in force.
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937	2. Connections shall b	e made to public water and sewer.
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943	•	quest, as it found from the evidence presented that, due to the
944	•	the subject property, strict application of the County Code
945		dship not generally shared by other properties in the area, and
946		will neither cause a substantial detriment to adjacent property
947	nor materially impair the p	urpose of the zoning regulations.
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949		THY HARRISON requests a variance from Section 24-
950	95(b)((5) of Chapter 24 of the County Code to build a one-family

951 dwelling at 221 Westover Avenue (Bungalow City) (Parcel 816-728-952 5240), zoned R-3, One-family Residence District (Varina). The lot width requirement and total lot area requirement are not met. The 953 954 applicant has 6,400 square feet total lot area and 50 feet lot width, where the Code requires 8,000 square feet total lot area and 65 955 feet lot width. The applicant requests a variance of 1,600 square 956 feet total lot area and 15 feet lot width. 957 958 959 Mr. Balfour -Any others to testify in this matter? Would you raise your 960 right hand and be sworn please. 961 962 Mr. Blankinship -Do you swear that the testimony you are about to give is the 963 truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you God? 964 965 I do. Timothy Harrison. I propose to build a one-family, Mr. Harrison -966 single-story rancher-type dwelling, brick veneer, with vinyl on the back. A variance has 967 been granted once before. I bought this property with the intention of building a home 968 on it, and I still intend to build a house on it if I can get this variance, but I just don't have 969 quite enough room to meet your Codes. 970 971 Mr. Nunnally -Are you going to build this house for yourself? 972 973 Mr. Harrison -Yes I am. 974 975 Mr. Nunnally -Are you a contractor? 976 977 Mr. Harrison -Yes I am. 978 979 Mr. Nunnally -What is all that junk on that lot now? 980 981 To some people it's junk; to me it's building materials sir. I Mr. Harrison -982 have been planning to build this house for 983 984 Mr. Nunnally -No, I went by there yesterday, and there was a truck out there with a wheel off of it, and no tires, 985 986 987 Mr. Harrison -Yes, I'm working on that truck. A guy was supposed to 988 come by and pick it up. I had a problem with cleaning the yard up before. I came into 989 compliance with it. The guy was supposed to come by and pick the truck up, and he 990 didn't show up to get it, so I had to take it off the street to put it back in the yard. 991 temporarily. It's going to be moved. I've come into compliance; an inspector came out 992 and checked the yard; I've cleaned it up, the back part. The building materials right here is part of my foundation, that I intend to use on the house; I intend to be in 993

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that I intend to use on my house, and those blocks and stuff are part of it.

compliance with whatever, keep the place clean like I'm supposed to, just like everyone

else does, but over a period of time, doing construction work, I've collected some things

997 998 Mr. Kirkland -Mr. Blankinship, have there been any citations on this? 999 1000 Mr. Blankinship -There have. We actually had an inspector out there 1001 vesterday, who reported the truck that I guess you were talking about, Mr. Nunnally. 1002 1003 Mr. Kirkland -How long has it been? 1004 1005 Mr. Blankinship -We first received the complaint before the variance was filed, 1006 but not long before, so I'd say 6 or 7 weeks ago. Of course one of the options you would have is to defer this, to see that the property gets corrected, brought into 1007 1008 compliance before the variance is issued. Or you could grant the variance contingent on the condition that it be cleaned. 1009 1010 1011 Yes, there is a condition proposed. Mr. Harrison, are you Mr. Nunnally -1012 familiar with this condition that's been proposed if this gets approved? Have you seen 1013 the condition that's been proposed? 1014 1015 Mr. Harrison -No. I haven't. 1016 1017 Well, I'll read it. "Only materials used for constructing a Mr. Nunnally -1018 dwelling may be stored on the property once a building permit has been issued. All 1019 other materials shall be removed from the property prior to issuance of a building 1020 permit." 1021 1022 Mr. Harrison -No, I hadn't heard about that. 1023 1024 Do you have any problem with this condition? Mr. Nunnally -1025 1026 Mr. Harrison -With removing the stuff until the permit is granted? 1027 1028 Mr. McKinney -Stuff that doesn't have anything to do with building the 1029 house. 1030 1031 Only materials that can be used in building the house can be Mr. Nunnally -1032 permitted to be stored on the property. All the other stuff has to be removed. 1033 1034 Mr. Harrison -That's what's on there besides my air compressor. 1035 understand that. I came into compliance with that a week ago. The inspector came out, 1036 and she inspected the yard, and she said that everything was in compliance. 1037 1038 Mr. Nunnally -If we approve this, that condition would be imposed on this.

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Mr. Kirkland -

where you can store stuff?

Do you have another place of business other than this lot,

1043	Mr. Harrison -	No I haven't. I'm renting a house; I have no other property
1043	anywhere.	The Friavert. This renting a nouse, I have no other property
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1046	Mr. Kirkland -	You don't propose storing materials there after you build the
1047	home, do you?	Tod don't propose storing materials there after you build the
1047	nome, do you!	
1048	Mr. Harrison -	I'm haning to nut a garage there later on
1049	WII. 1 Iai115011 -	I'm hoping to put a garage there later on.
1050	Mr Kirkland	Do you do your husiness out of the house?
	Mr. Kirkland -	Do you do your business out of the house?
1052	Mr. Harrison	Vacair
1053	Mr. Harrison -	Yes sir.
1054	Mar Nicconstitu	The weighbore are raine to been apprehiming if you don't
1055	Mr. Nunnally -	The neighbors are going to keep complaining if you don't
1056	keep it clean.	
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1058	•	You can't store materials related to a business. In the future,
1059	,	have a contracting business, you can't store material for the
1060	contracting business on a	residential lot. You're going to have to find another place.
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1062	Mr. Harrison -	I understand. The only reason I have it there now is I intend
1063	to build my house using th	e blocks for my foundation.
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1065	Mr. Nunnally -	How about that house right behind you, Mr. Harrison? Did
1066	you build that house, since	e you're a contractor?
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1068	Mr. Harrison -	No I didn't. I did an addition on the one right next to it on the
1069	right-hand side.	
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1071	Mr. Nunnally -	Is that house, I think it's on Liberty Avenue, isn't it, right
1072	behind you, is that built on	the same size lot that you have?
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1074	Mr. Harrison -	No that lot is 25 feet larger than mine. They had 3 25-foot
1075	lots, and I only have 2.	
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1077	Mr. Nunnally -	When did you purchase this lot?
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1079	Mr. Harrison -	I just closed on it maybe about 4-5, maybe 3 months ago.
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1081	Mr. Nunnally -	And we issued a variance on this, Mr. Blankinship, 1999 I
1082	think he said?	
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1084	Mr. Wright -	That's what the notes say.
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1086	Mr. Blankinship -	For lot width.
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1088	Mr. Balfour -	Are there any more questions of Mr. Harrison? We have 2

1089 more people who want to speak. Thank you sir. You'll get a chance to come back up if 1090 vou like.

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1092 Mr. Robinson -My name is Thomas Robinson. I own the property at 223 Westover Avenue. That driveway has been a part of that house for 70 years, and the 1093 owner of 221 has denied me the privilege of using it since he acquired that property. 1094 You can see the cinder blocks blocking my entrance and exit from my property. Also, 1095 the property next to me is an established junk yard. I don't know who passed it. He 1096 says someone passed it; I don't know who passed it. 1097

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1099 Mr. Nunnally -You say that driveway is your driveway, or you just use it?

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1101 Mr. Robinson -It's a driveway that's been used by the property for over 70 1102 years; it's the only one. 1103

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Mr. Nunnally -Who owns the driveway? I believe it belongs to 221. Now I have talked to Mr. Hyde, Jr., construction engineer, for Henrico County, and also Mr. 1105 1106 Hickman, and they have told me my options about that. Those cinder blocks I found, 1107 were on my property by about 2 feet.

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1109 Mr. Nunnally -If it belongs to 221, you don't have a right to use it, legally.

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1111 Mr. McKinney -Mr. Robinson, have you been using that driveway to access your property? Had you been using it in the past, to get in and out as your driveway? 1112

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1114 Mr. Robinson -Yes. I can't use it. That was before he ever acquired the property; it's been that way. 1115

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- 1117 Mr. McKinney -How about the people who owned the house before you? 1118
- 1119 Mr. Robinson -That's what they used, that driveway.

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Mr. McKinney -1121 So what kind of driveway do you have now to get into your 1122 property?

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1124 Mr. Robinson -I have none.

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1126 Mr. Nunnally -You may have some legal rights relating to those cinder 1127 blocks and the use of the driveway, but that's not really before us.

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1129 We don't really have a thing to do with that. Mr. Wright -

- 1131 We're not in a position to make him do anything, one way or Mr. Nunnally -1132 the other, relating to the driveway, but the County can certainly make him keep the lot
- 1133 clean. We're not a court; you're not here as a lawyer to ask us to make him move those
- 1134 cinder blocks.

1135 1136 Mr. Robinson -No, I'm not asking him to move those cinder blocks; I'm just stating that I'm already having a problem. 1137 1138 1139 Mr. Nunnally -Do you object or not object to him putting the house up 1140 there? 1141 1142 Mr. Robinson -Of course, where's he going to get the variance from? 1143 1144 Mr. Nunnally -Us, if we give it to him. That's why he's here, but we told him if we did it, if we approved it, that he's got to keep that place clean, and you've 1145 1146 certainly got a right to notify the County if he doesn't, as maybe you've already done. 1147 You heard a discussion with him, that if we approved the variance, he would have to keep the property straight and clean. That would be a condition. Of course, you're 1148 going to say, well suppose he doesn't do it, in which case you or others would have to 1149 1150 complain, and let the County cite him for it. 1151 1152 Mr. Robinson -So far he hasn't. 1153 1154 Mr. Nunnally -I understand, and apparently he's already been cited, and I guess, been inspected again last week, and I heard your comment that you'd like to 1155 1156 know who inspected it. You must not agree with their approval. 1157 1158 Mr. Robinson -There's been a vehicle motor been in the ditch, and it's still 1159 in the ditch as I speak. 1160 1161 That's still there? Mr. Blankinship -1162 1163 Mr. Robinson -The vehicle motor is still in the ditch, yes. 1164 1165 If it were approved, he can't get a building permit until he Mr. Nunnally cleans it up. If he cleans it up and he abides by the Code, it's up to us to decide if we 1166 still want to let him build there or not. That's where we are. 1167 1168 1169 I appreciate it. Mr. Robinson -1170 1171 Mr. Balfour -Next. 1172 1173

Mr. Pryor - Good morning. My name is Bernard Pryor. I live next door to that, at 217 Westover Avenue. The only thing I was trying to find out is how it would affect me. Mr. Gibbs, the guy who previously owned the property, came to me before he tried to sell it, to get 15 feet in order to make it a buildable lot. The only thing I was trying to figure out is how it would affect me, that at the time I wouldn't sell it to him.

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Mr. Wright - How wide is your lot sir?

1181	Mr. Pryor -	Mine is 6 lots; I don't know exactly what the footage is there.			
1182	It's probably on my deed, but it's 6 lots in there.				
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1184 1185	Mr. Wright -	Six lots adjacent to 221?			
1186	Mr. Pryor -	It was 94, 92 to 96.			
1187	IVII. I TYOI -	11 Was 54, 52 to 50.			
1188	Mr. Kirkland -	See where 217 is, see the 3 blank spots coming towards			
1189	221?	,			
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1191	Mr. Wright -	I'm confused. That couldn't be 6 lots.			
1192 1193	Mr. Kirkland -	Yes it is; they're 25-foot lots.			
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1195	Mr. Blankinship -	That would be 150 feet.			
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1197	•	Would you sell him the necessary footage for him to make			
1198	this a lot that would confo	rm to the Code?			
1199 1200	Mr. Pryor -	I hadn't planned on colling any. At the time they first started			
1200	3	I hadn't planned on selling any. At the time they first started ears ago, my aunt used to own the property, and they were			
1202		hy she had the fence put up, because she didn't want to break			
1203	=	lly thought about doing it myself.			
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1205	Mr. Wright -	If we approve this, this won't have anything to do with your			
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1207 1208	Mr. Pryor -	That's the only thing I needed to know			
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1210	Mr. Balfour -	All right. Thank you. Mr. Harrison, do you have anything			
1211	further you want to say?				
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1213	Mr. Harrison -	I just want to say, yes I have had problems with a lot of			
1214	•	cleaned that up. The truck is still in the front yard, but that will			
1215 1216		ard. I intend to keep my house as clean as they keep theirs, e place also, but the situation, I just didn't have anywhere else			
1217		an apartment, and there's nowhere I can keep my truck and			
1218		ors and things like that. I can't park them by the apartment, so			
1219	•	property temporarily. I've had problems with Mr. Robinson for			
1220		keep my place cleaned up just like they are and comply with			
1221	the law.				

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Mr. Nunnally -What's this about an engine in a ditch; are you going to get 1223 that out of there?

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1226 Mr. Harrison -I had the wrecker tow the other trucks away, and this other guy, the junk man, he's supposed to pick the engine up and take the truck away, and he hasn't showed up to do it.

Mr. Balfour - If they approve this, the County's not going to let you do anything until you get it fully cleaned up. You might want to move those cinder blocks over too if they're on another man's property.

Mr. Harrison - They're not on his property. It's been surveyed.

Mr. McKinney - Mr. Harrison, when you build this house, you're going to move into it, right? What are you going to do with this equipment when you move into the house? What's the difference between this house and the apartment? Where are you going to put your equipment then?

Mr. Harrison - The only equipment I've got is the air compressor. The rest of them are tools, small tools. They can go in the garage or utility house in the yard. There's no large stuff, like a big truck or a whole lot of stuff like that, not like that. We'll do the construction with may a scaffold or something like that, but nothing real huge.

Mr. McKinney - Where'd this stuff come from that's on this lot now?

Mr. Harrison - I've done jobs, and this was some of the materials left over or whatever, and I said, well, I intend to build my house. I can use this on my house, on my foundation. I bought the 8-inch block, the new ones, I bought those because when I start doing my foundation I'm going to need the blocks for it. The 12-inch block goes on the bottom. You do 2 coats of the 12, then drop back to 8, then you brick veneer the front, and all these are good materials. To most people looking at it, it's trash to them, but being in the business, it's stuff that could be used, and all that stuff will be gone when I get the house up. A nice vinyl fence will be on the front, the back. The house starts about this other little fence I have up there, that black stuff, the house will start about 40 feet from the street, so all that will be gone.

Mr. McKinney - What do you have behind that fence now?

Mr. Harrison - I'm cleaning up behind there. I have a big truck back there.
The little truck is the one they're talking about, that the guy's supposed to pull away. I had to straighten it up back there. The inspector came and passed it. I took a whole lot of debris, a whole lot of trash, and you can walk back there; it's clean back there now.

Mr. Nunnally - How about that dumpster back there?

1268 Mr. Harrison - That's not mine. That's on the property that just built a new house behind it, and that's the dumpster for them.

Mr. Nunnally - When do you plan on building your house?

1273 Mr. Harrison -As soon as I can. As soon as I can get the variance here and the permit. I already paid for a temporary pole. They told me I can't get the pole 1274 until I get the variance. I can't get the permit until after the variance, and I can't put the 1275 pole up until after I get the permit, and I can't do anything until I get the variance 1276 permission to build all that, and then the temporary pole, and then I get the permit, and 1277 1278 then I can start building. 1279 1280 Mr. McKinney - What kind of trade are you in? 1281 1282 Mr. Harrison -I started out being a brick layer, and now I'm a remodeler; I do renovations, additions, vinyl siding, bricks and all that stuff. 1283 1284 1285 Mr. McKinney -How much of the work are you going to do on this house 1286 yourself? 1287 1288 Mr. Harrison -Ninety percent of it. I can do everything except the air conditioning. I'm not licensed to do air conditioning or plumbing; I can do everything 1289 1290 else. 1291 1292 Mr. McKinney -Can you do the electrical? 1293 1294 Mr. Harrison -No, I have a friend who will take care of that for me. I'm not licensed for electrical, plumbing or AC. 1295 1296 1297 Mr. Balfour -You've got a B contractor's license? 1298 1299 Class C. Mr. Harrison -1300 1301 Mr. Balfour -Any other questions? Thank you. 1302 1303 Upon a motion by Mr. Nunnally, seconded by Mr. McKinney, the Board deferred application A-162-2002 for a variance to build a one-family dwelling at 221 Westover 1304 Avenue (Bungalow City) (Parcel 816-728-5240). The case was deferred for 30 days, to 1305

allow you to bring the property into compliance, from the October 24, 2002, until the 1306

1307 November 21, 2002, meeting. 1308

1309 Affirmative: Balfour, Kirkland, McKinney, Nunnally, Wright 5 1310 Negative: 0 1311 Absent: 0 1312

1313 Mr. Balfour - We'll start our 10:00 o'clock docket in about 5 minutes. 1314

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1317 Mr. Secretary, we'll start the 10:00 o'clock docket. Do we have any deferrals or 1318 withdrawals.

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1320 Mr. Blankinship - Yes, we do. We have a withdrawal on A-167-2002, top of page 5. Mrs. Spencer spoke to a neighbor yesterday and was surprised to find that her neighbor was concerned about this, and she asked to withdraw, but she'd like to withdraw without prejudice in case she can get her neighbor settled down, and she may like to re-file in less than a year

Mr. Balfour - Want to take the first 2 cases together.

A -163-2002REX HUFF, SR. requests a variance from Section 24-94 of Chapter 24 of the County Code to build a one-family dwelling at 542 Mullens Lane (Greendale Park) (Parcel 827-727-1705), zoned R-3, One-family Residence District (Varina). The lot width requirement is not met. The applicant has 46 feet lot width, where the Code requires 150 feet lot width. The applicant requests a variance of 104 feet lot width.

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A -164-2002 REX HUFF, SR. requests a variance from Section 24-94 of Chapter 24 of the County Code to divide a parcel with existing structures at 530 Mullens Lane (Greendale Park) (Parcel 827-727-1705), zoned R-3, One-family Residence District (Varina). The front yard setback and lot width requirement are not met. The applicant has 70 feet lot width and 18 feet front yard setback, where the Code requires 150 feet lot width and 40 feet front yard setback. The applicant requests a variance of 80 feet lot width and 22 feet front yard setback.

Mr. Balfour - Any others to testify in this matter? Would anybody who's interested in this matter please stand and raise your right hand and be sworn.

Mr. Blankinship - Do you swear that the testimony you are about to give is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you God?

Mr. Huff - I do. I'm Rex Huff, Sr. I'm asking the Board to assist me with this. I've got other family members who I would like to come and share this property with me. The original dwelling at 530 has been there for quite a while. The existing frontage on that property, with the division, would still leave the property with an acre of land. The proposed site at 542 is 1.6 acres and has a driveway that concerns, because of frontage that leads back to an opening of 1.6 acres in the back of the property.

Mr. Blankinship - How long has it been since these houses were occupied? Approximately 9 or 10 months.

Mr. Nunnally - Where do you live, Mr. Huff?

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1365	Mr. Huff -	I currently live in the city of Richmond. I purchased this
1366	property because I plan to	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
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1368	Mr. Nunnally -	You're planning on moving down on Mullens Lane?
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1370	Mr. Huff -	Yes sir, I do plan to move is the Board grants me these
1371	variances, I do plan to bu	uild on that 1.6 acres and to have my sons live in the other 2
1372		a family situation on the 3.6 acres that exist now. It would be
1373	divided into 3 separate pa	rcels, 2 parcels of 1 acre, and the 3 rd parcel at 1/6 acres.
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1375	Mr. Nunnally -	Are there 3 houses there now, and there will be a 4 th when
1376	built, is that right?	
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1378	Mr. Huff -	There are 2 houses there now, and a series of outbuildings,
1379	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	ece of property. The second property has a house, and the
1380	third property is 1.6 acres	of hardwood.
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1382	Mr. Nunnally -	Two homes then, and you'll build a third one on a spot in the
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1384 1385	Mr. Huff -	Vac air
1386	IVII. HUII -	Yes sir.
1387	Mr. Wright -	How long has that house been there, the one that's closest
1388		nich you're requiring the front yard setback?
1389	to the road, the one for wi	non you're requiring the none yard setback:
1390	Mr. Huff -	That house, the initial survey that I have, I don't know if you
1391	have a copy of this	
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1393	Mr. Nunnally -	When was that survey made?
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1395	Mr. Huff -	I think it was in the '30's.
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1397	Mr. Blankinship -	We noted on the staff report that Greendale Park
1398	Subdivision was recorded	in the early '30's.
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1400	Mr. Wright -	Does that show the house on the property at the time? So
1401	the house was built prior t	o 1930, is that what you're saying?
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1403	Mr. Huff -	On Henrico's Property Identification Map, identifying the lots
1404	•	can see the 3 structures that exist there, the 2 houses and the
1405	outbuilding.	
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1407	Mr. Wright -	Mr. Blankinship, since that house has been there this long,
1408	why is it necessary to get	a variance for it??

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Mr. Blankinship - Because it's all been on one lot, and that whole lot meets the

lot width requirement. It does not meet the front yard setback; it would be nonconforming as to the front yard setback, but as long as they're here, they may as well request the variance for that as well, and then they don't have to worry about it being nonconforming.

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1416 Mr. Wright - He could theoretically work on the other one and not have asked for this one, couldn't he?

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1419 Mr. Blankinship - Well, the lot width would still not meet the requirements.

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Mr. Wright - What I'm saying is, case A-164-2002 is not absolutely necessary to do what he wants to do, because those 2 houses are already there.

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Mr. Blankinship - Right, but they're all on one parcel, and he wants to divide them onto separate parcels. He's creating a lot with less than 150 feet of lot width.

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Mr. Nunnally - Assuming for the moment that you've got 2 homes; you're just going to put a boundary between them, and then you want us to approve the other, which would be access to the lot in the back.

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1431 Mr. Huff - Yes sir. The driveway is already there; it runs the length of the property, and then it curves around in the back.

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1434 Mr. Nunnally - I see it in the picture.

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1436 Mr. Balfour - Are there any other questions of Mr. Huff at this point?

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1438 Mr. McKinney - How do you cross the creek?

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Mr. Huff - There's an existing land bridge that's there. Obviously, a number of years ago, whoever owned the property, there was at one time a creek bed that ran through the rear of the property, across 7 or 8 lots, and that creek bed has dried over the years, and there is a land bridge that runs right straight back to the back of the property. If you look at the survey, you can see that the surveyor has even marked it. They had to go back there with vehicles.

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1447 Mr. Nunnally - Mr. Huff, are you going to convey this property over to your 1448 children?

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1450 Mr. Huff - Yes sir, to family members alone.

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1452 Mr. Nunnally - And you did read the suggested conditions we have on here 1453

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1455 Mr. Huff - Whatever conditions need to be met, I will see that they are met. Wells, existing wells are already there. Septic is already there. If they need to be

upgraded, I will see to that. Along with bringing the properties up to the existing values of the properties in the surrounding area.
 Mr. Nunnally - This condition here says that the owner "shall demonstrate that the parcel created by this division has been conveyed to members of the immediate

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1464 Mr. Huff - That's correct.

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1466 Mr. Wright - When did you acquire this property, Mr. Huff?

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1468 Mr. Huff - This year, in fact my closing date on this property was -1469 August 15 was the settlement date. I acquired it from Fairbanks Capital Corporation,
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family" only.

1472 Mr. Wright - Have these houses been vacant all this time?

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1474 Mr. Huff - They've been vacant since earlier this year, yes sir, when the folks who were living there lost the properties, and I purchased these properties.

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1477 Mr. McKinney - Through the foreclosure?

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1479 Mr. Huff - Yes sir.

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1481 Mr. Balfour - Looks like on the adjoining properties there's only one house; on this piece of property there happens to be 2 already.

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1484 Mr. Huff - Yes, there's 2 existing houses already, and outbuildings.

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Mr. Balfour - Are there any other questions at this point? We're going to hear from these 3 people if they want to speak, and then you get a chance to come back up. Do you want your survey back?

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1490 Mr. Huff - Yes, that's the only one I've got.

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1492 Mr. Balfour - All right, folks, who wants to go first?

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Mr. Duggan - My name is Patrick Duggan, and I live at 510 North Mullens, which is actually the adjoining property east of what he's asking for. I don't necessarily have any problem with what he's asking to do, but I do have a problem about, being it's done, devaluing my property, my parcel of land.

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1499 Mr. Nunnally - It actually looks like it might enhance yours if he fixes up these 2 houses that are vacant.

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1502 Mr. Duggan - It's possible. There's some previous history to this particular

piece of property that he probably is not aware of, some of the things that I've actually seen happen. There's been a tremendous amount of dirt actually brought to this particular piece of property in the back, so there's some things here that I think he kind of inherited when he purchased the property. I'm aware of a considerable amount of dirt that was actually brought into the property and put on the back side in order to build up the back edge. I don't necessarily have any problem with what this gentleman would like to do, as long as it appreciates my property, which is at 510.

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Mr. Nunnally - We'll ask him about the dirt. Well he's already stated that what he intends to do, he'll make it commensurate with the other properties in the neighborhood, so what he'd build would be commensurate with their values.

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1515 Mr. Duggan - Right. I think the real key is the septic.

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1517 Mr. Nunnally - That's something he has to get approved before he can build on that back part anyway.

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Mr. Duggan - I'm really referring to the 2 dwellings that actually sit there at the present time, because of all the additional dirt that was actually brought. I don't have any problem with anybody trying to better themselves or better their families at all, but whatever's done, I think that I would like to make sure that it's an asset for the entire street.

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1526 Mr. Balfour - Which house is yours sir, I'm sorry?

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1528 Mr. Duggan - 510.

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1530 Mr. Balfour - 510? OK, on the other side. Yes sir

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1532 Mr. Fant - Jim Fant, I live at 515 North Mullens, should be right across the street from the house to the east.

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1535 Mr. Balfour - Looks like 515 and 543 are both across the street.

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1537 Mr. Fant - The first thing is that the older home you were referring to, the 1930's. I've been there 5 years; that house has never been lived in; I believe it's condemned, if I'm not mistaken, so it's nowhere near being up to Code.

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1541 Mr. Nunnally - Sounds like you're going to get it up to Code.

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1543 Mr. Balfour - Looks like to me he's going to help the situation.

- 1545 Mr. Fant There is some new information I learned here that I didn't know. I only had the letters. There is some history to the back of that property. The
- previous owner got shut down by the Army Corps of Engineers for bringing all the dirt in.
- He was trying to fill in the gully; it's a natural drainage for the whole neighborhood,

which changed the whole flood plain a little I think. So you may not be aware that the Army Corps of Engineers was involved with that and stopped all that.

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1552 Mr. Kirkland - That's how the dirt bridge got formed back there?

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Mr. Fant - No, that was there, but I don't think it was adequate to put a house back there; you'd have to build something else. If he can do it, great, but he may run into some problems with that. And the drainfield's another thing, some problems there. The previous owner, he had a history down there. He buried a bulldozer down there and pretty much crushed all the drainfields down there. He may be inheriting something there he didn't know about also.

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1561 Mr. Nunnally - What are you saying, he's got a bulldozer back there on his land, underground?

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Mr. Fant - The previous owner was bringing in all the dirt, and they were still having problems where he crushed the drainfields, and there was quite a bit of damage done.

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1568 Mr. Wright - Sounds like Mr. Huff's got his work cut out for him.

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1570 Mr. Fant - Yes sir, but it sounds like he wants to bring it up, so that would be great for everybody.

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1573 Mr. McKinney - Why would the drainfields on that land affect the other septic systems?

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1576 Mr. Fant - Where he was trying to bring the dirt in, he was over on Pat's property.

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1579 Mr. McKinney - He was on the other piece of property? And he broke the 1580 lines on another piece of property?

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1582 Mr. Fant - He was all over there.

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1584 Mr. McKinney - That was the previous owner? Did he replace it?

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Mr. Fant - No. So there's quite a bit of expense to bring it commensurate with the other properties. My house is 5 years old, and I'd be concerned about going into a high density situation, where right now it's a low density, I assume. Right no everybody has an acre plus.

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1591 Mr. Blankinship - Each of these lots would be an acre also.

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1593 Mr. Fant - If he does everything he says he is, it sounds pretty good.

Mr. Kirkland - Did you read the case report outside? I think number 3 would probably address all your concerns, soil reviews and reserve area; this is all stated in the suggested conditions, and if this is approved, he would have to go by this. We'll kind of hold him to the line of doing things correctly.

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Mr. Fant - Both those pictures don't do it justice. Now I have some pictures; they're a little bit blurry, but they'll give you a better idea if you want to look at them. It's quite a bit of money he's going to have to spend to bring those other 2 properties commendurate, as he says, up to the other property values.

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Mr. Nunnally - Evidently family means a whole lot to Mr. Huff.

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Mr. Balfour - Yes ma'am, you wanted to testify?

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My name's Marie Wood; I live directly across the street at Ms. Wood – 543. I too am getting some new information. I was not aware that his intent was to split them out so that he could have family members on there? One of the gentlemen had brought up to the point that the initial house, the 1930's one, that apparently is not meeting the front foot Code. In reading the initial documentation that was sent, it just seemed like the codes are there for a reason. A lot of these, for example the first one, A-163-2002, requesting a variance of 104 feet. Certainly there are 2 houses on that one property, and even though they still may be an acre or so apiece, I guess they would be elongated, so they're very short and shunty side to side. If it would appreciate the value of our homes, and certainly I would be very excited about that, because as I think you've gotten the indication, they are not really value added at this point in time. I have a question, I think you've referred to some documentation that maybe we don't have. You're putting stipulations in here that must be met, for example. Was I understanding you correctly when you said he would have to have family members living in these properties?

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1625 Mr. Kirkland - It's out front in the binders. Can we give her a copy of this? 1626 It's in the staff report.

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1628 Ms. Wood - So basically, is what's happening today, is you're taking notes, you're writing down what it should be

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1631 Mr. Nunnally - It's already in there. What you've got is the agenda. There's a report out there you can look at as well.

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1634 Mr. Kirkland - Under suggested conditions, is what I was discussing.

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Mr. Blankinship - That's one of them; the other is similar.

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1638 Mr. Balfour - You can ask Mr. Huff; he's probably already looked into all these things.

Mr. Wright -Another thing Ms. Wood, this subdivision would not be permitted under the Henrico Code unless it's for family. So if he were to sell this to someone else, he'd be hauled into court. This is restricted to a family subdivision. You can't have this type of subdivision unless it's for family. So that's the first thing. Secondly, to address your question, this is kind of unique. You know, the house that he's proposing to build way back on the property - the problem is, under the Henrico Code, you have to have the width of the land at the building line, which is 50 feet back. So technically, he's got to have the width exception because he's putting it on the rear of the property. It's a technical type of thing. It's not getting him any big deal, but that's why we have to put that in there.

Ms. Wood - I do have one other thing, since I have the opportunity, I'd like to just comment on. I believe he had said, mid-August when you closed? I'm not quite familiar with the Code as far as keeping the lawn mowed or not, but I know that directly after the foreclosure, I personally was very happy because the lawn was at least mowed regularly. With the previous owners, we did not have that instance all the time. But I've noticed it's gotten a little long now, so I was curious as to what point in time could there be a consideration for a citation if the lawn's not cut.

Mr. McKinney - Twelve inches.

Ms. Wood -

Twelve inches? I think we're kind of close.

Mr. Wright - I imagine when he gets these houses upgraded and the people move in, they're going to keep up the lawn.

Ms. Wood - Oh right, but in the interim he still has title to the property, so it's still his responsibility; that's what I'm worried about, because again, it's directly across the street from me.

Mr. McKinney - What happens on some occasions, Ms. Wood, is that if they cite it, they will contact the owner and give him so much time to cut it. If he doesn't cut it, the County cuts it and puts a lien against the property.

1675 Ms. Wood - I'm very familiar with that; I work in the mortgage industry.
1676 That's why I wanted to ask about that, because I did have that familiarity. Thank you.

1678 Mr. Balfour - Mr. Huff, does anybody have any questions of Mr. Huff?

1680 Mr. McKinney - Mr. Huff, what type home do you plan on building in the rear for yourself?

Mr. Huff - I'm speaking with a gentleman from Hopewell, Virginia. He builds from your high 80's to your mid-range 100's, and the existing properties, gentlemen, are in need of repairs. I've gotten estimates to have them renovated prior to anyone moving into them, to bring them up to Code, and to make them established

living areas. So it's not like these properties will be used for anything other than growing people in.

1690 Mr. McKinney - You say your sons are moving in though?

Mr. Huff - Yes, I have a son, in fact he's already sent his resumes here to Henrico County, Richmond, and Chesterfield, and he's considering the job offers that he's received. As soon as he gets here, then I will deed a property to him, because he's going to live in one of those 2 existing houses.

Mr. McKinney - He's in New York now.

Mr. Balfour - You're going to build the one in the back for you? You're going to keep an eye on them?

Mr. Huff - Yes, I will that. I understand the concerns of my neighbors. Yes, I will see that the grass and the property is not only kept up, but that the existing things that are wrong with the property will be corrected, and I'm sure these gentlemen will be more than glad to help me along with that. Coming into a new area, a new neighborhood, you want to do the right thing, and at the same time, you want to make a way for your family. I have that opportunity now, and with everyone's assistance here, I think maybe I can get some things done.

Mr. Balfour - Thank you Mr. Huff. Any other questions?

After an advertised public hearing and on a motion by Mr. Nunnally, seconded by Mr. Kirkland, the Board **granted** application **A-163-2002** for a variance to build a one-family dwelling at 542 Mullens Lane (Greendale Park) (Parcel 827-727-1705). The Board granted the variance subject to the following conditions:

1. This variance applies only to the lot width requirement. All other applicable regulations of the County Code shall remain in force.

2. At the time of building permit application, the owner shall demonstrate that the parcel created by this division has been conveyed to members of the immediate family, and the subdivision ordinance has not been circumvented.

3. Approval of this request does not imply that a building permit will be issued. Building permit approval is contingent on Health Department requirements, including, but not limited to, soil evaluation for a septic drainfield and reserve area, and approval of a well location.

1729 Affirmative: Balfour, Kirkland, McKinney, Nunnally, Wright
1730 Negative: 0
1731 Absent: 0

The Board granted this request, as it found from the evidence presented that, due to the unique circumstances of the subject property, strict application of the County Code would produce undue hardship not generally shared by other properties in the area, and authorizing this variance will neither cause a substantial detriment to adjacent property nor materially impair the purpose of the zoning regulations.

After an advertised public hearing and on a motion by Mr. Nunnally, seconded by Mr. Kirkland, the Board **granted** application **A-164-2002** for a variance to divide a parcel with existing structures at 530 Mullens Lane (Greendale Park) (Parcel 827-727-1705). The Board granted the variance subject to the following conditions:

1. This variance applies only to the lot width and front yard setback requirement. All other applicable regulations of the County Code shall remain in force.

2. At the time of building permit application, the owner shall demonstrate that the parcel created by this division has been conveyed to members of the immediate family, and the subdivision ordinance has not been circumvented.

3. Approval of this request does not imply that a building permit will be issued. Building permit approval is contingent on Health Department requirements, including, but not limited to, soil evaluation for a septic drainfield and reserve area, and approval of a well location.

1756 Affirmative: Balfour, Kirkland, McKinney, Nunnally, Wright
1757 Negative: 0
1758 Absent: 0

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A -165-2002 **SCOTT AND KAREN MEARDON** request a variance from Section 24-94 of Chapter 24 of the County Code to build an addition at 13317 Shady Knoll Court (Autumn Chase at Wellesley) (Parcel 733-760-9165), zoned R-4AC, One-family Residence District (Conditional) (Three Chopt). The rear yard setback is not met. The applicants propose 30 feet rear yard setback, where the Code requires 35 feet rear yard setback. The applicants request a variance of 5 feet rear yard setback.

Mr. Balfour - Any others to testify in this matter? Would both of you raise your right hand and be sworn please.

Mr. Blankinship - Do you swear that the testimony you are about to give is the

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1781	Mr Meardon -	I do. My name is Scott Meardon, and we're lookir	ng for a
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788		th it whatsoever. Also the other neighbor on the other	
789		have no problems with it either.	J., J.
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791	Mr. Wright -	Mr. Meardon, what's located to the rear of your prope	rtv?
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793	Mr. Meardon -	You see on the picture the fence line; right behind the	at is the
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797	Mr. Wright -	So then there's no house between your house a	and the
798	street?		
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008	Mr. Meardon -	That's correct.	
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802	Mr. Wright -	And describe the configuration of your lot.	
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804	Mr. Meardon -	It is pie-shaped, so the front setback is, I think 53 fe	
1805	were a typical, normal-size	ed lot, it would be 35 feet, so the house is sitting much	ı further
1806	back than would be typica	I. That causes my problem.	
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808	Mr. Balfour -	Any other questions of Mr. Meardon? Thank you sir.	
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810		c hearing and on a motion by Mr. Wright, seconded	
1811		nted application A-165-2002 for a variance to build an	
812	-	urt (Autumn Chase at Wellesley) (Parcel 733-760-916	5). The
813	Board granted the varianc	e subject to the following conditions:	
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815	,	nents shown on the plan filed with the application	•
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817	the applicable regulations	of the County Code.	
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1819	2. The new construction	on shall match the existing dwelling as nearly as practi	cal.
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The Board granted this request, as it found from the evidence presented that, due to the unique circumstances of the subject property, strict application of the County Code would produce undue hardship not generally shared by other properties in the area, and authorizing this variance will neither cause a substantial detriment to adjacent property nor materially impair the purpose of the zoning regulations.

THOMAS E. HALL requests a variance from Section 24-94 of Chapter 24 of the County Code to build a two-story addition at 2311 Crowncrest Drive (Crown Grant) (Parcel 741-752-2589), zoned R-4, One-family Residence District (Tuckahoe). The front yard setback and minimum side yard setback are not met. The applicant proposes 31.5 feet front yard setback and 8 feet minimum side yard setback, where the Code requires 35 feet front yard setback and 10 feet minimum side yard setback. The applicant requests a variance

of 3.5 feet front yard setback and 2 foot minimum side yard setback.

Mr. Balfour - Any others to testify in this matter? Would both of you raise your right hand and be sworn please.

Mr. Blankinship - Do you swear that the testimony you are about to give is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you God?

Mr. Hall - I do. I'm Tom Hall. I request, as was read, a variance of 3 ½ feet on our front yard setback, and 2 feet on our side yard setback. We have proposed an addition to our home, and in proposing that addition, we are looking for more functional living space. We have a family of 5 in a 2,000-square foot home, and we're looking for more functional space, and in drawing out the proposed addition, which you should have in your packet, it did impede on the required variance. We are proposing to build a Dutch Colonial structure, in addition, to keep the same roof line, the same architectural look that the home now presents, and keep the same Colonial look that's in the Crown Grant neighborhood. So architecturally and aesthetically, it should fit in very well. I've talked with all of our neighbors and reported to them what was happening before you submitted any written documentation to them, and we've received no objections.

Mr. Wright - What is this proposed addition to be used for?

Mr. Hall - It's basically a family living room area, for the children, on the first floor, and the top floor will be access from my wife's and my existing bedroom, where it will just be a work area, study, and that's just what we're really in need of. The convenience of the front yard addition is that it would be an easier addition, in that it wouldn't affect plumbing or kitchen restruction or any internal demolition to the house, based on our existing floor plan, so it works well to be able to come off the front and meet the needs that we have at this time.

Mr. Wright - The house at 2309, which is to the right of your house, facing your house from the street, seems to be back off the street a good ways. How far is that from your side property line?

Mr. Hall - The driveway comes in to that side for their house, on the side that the addition would be on, and the house is probably, a guess, a good 50 feet or so from our house. It is the back side of their house. The front portion looks to Edenbridge Court. We have talked to the Websters, and they are fully supportive of us.

4Mr. Wright - Is there any screening in this area, trees, shrubs?

 Mr. Hall - You can see there is wooded area right now. We would try to save as much of that wooded area as you see. There is no screening area today between the driveway and our house, as you move closer to the house. That's something we could easily work out if it's requested

Mr. Balfour - Any other questions? Thank you, Mr. Hall.

After an advertised public hearing and on a motion by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. McKinney, the Board **granted** application **A-166-2002** for a variance to build a two-story addition at 2311 Crowncrest Drive (Crown Grant) (Parcel 741-752-2589). The Board granted the variance subject to the following condition:

 1. Only the addition shown on the plan filed with the application may be constructed pursuant to this approval. No substantial changes or additions to the layout may be made without the approval of the Board of Zoning Appeals. Any additional improvements shall comply with the applicable regulations of the County Code.

2. The new construction shall match the existing dwelling as nearly as practical.

1901	Affirmative:	Balfour, Kirkland, McKinney, Nunnally, Wright	5
1902	Negative:		0
1903	Absent:		0

The Board granted this request, as it found from the evidence presented that, due to the unique circumstances of the subject property, strict application of the County Code would produce undue hardship not generally shared by other properties in the area, and authorizing this variance will neither cause a substantial detriment to adjacent property nor materially impair the purpose of the zoning regulations.

1910 1911 1912 1913 1914 1915 1916 1917 1918 1919 1920 1921 1922 1923 1924 1925 1926 1927 1928 1929 1930 1931 1932 1933 1934	A -167-2002	MARY RANDOLPH SPENCER requests a variance from 24-95(c)(1) of Chapter 24 of the County Code to build an act 108 Gaymont Road (River Hills) (Parcel 757-734-0741), zo One-family Residence District (Tuckahoe). The minimum setback is not met. The applicant proposes 5 feet minimum yard setback, where the Code requires 12 feet minimum setback. The applicant requests a variance of 7 feet minimum yard setback.	ddition at oned R-1, side yard num side side yard		
	Upon a motion by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Kirkland the Board granted withdrawal without prejudice of application A-167-2002 for a variance to build an addition at 108 Gaymont Road (River Hills) (Parcel 757-734-0741).				
	Affirmative: Negative: Absent:	Balfour, Kirkland, McKinney, Nunnally, Wright	5 0 1		
	A -168-2002	of Chapter 24 of the County Code to build an addition at 2801 Rudwick Road (Laurel West) (Parcel 774-768-2803), zoned R-2A, One-family Residence District (Fairfield). The rear yard setback is not met. The applicant proposes 35 feet rear yard setback, where the Code requires 45 feet rear yard setback. The applicant requests a variance of 10 feet rear yard setback.			
1935 1936 1937	Mr. Balfour -	Anyone here on this case? Pass it to the end.			
1938 1939 1940	Mr. Blankinship - Do you swear that the testimony you are about to give is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you God?				
1941	Called again at end of docket.				
1942 1943 1944 1945 1946 1947 1948 1949 1950 1951 1952	Upon a motion by Mr. McKinney, seconded by Mr. Kirkland, the Board deferred application A-168-2002 for a variance to build an addition at 2801 Rudwick Road (Laurel West) (Parcel 774-768-2803). The case was deferred for 30 days, because there was no one at the meeting to present the case, from the October 24, 2002, until the November 21, 2002, meeting.				
	Affirmative: Negative: Absent:	Balfour, Kirkland, McKinney, Nunnally, Wright	5 0 0		

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STEVENSON PECK requests a variance from Section 24-94 of Chapter 24 of the County Code to build a front porch at 6600 Prospect Street (College Terrace) (Parcel 763-737-1028), zoned R-3, One-family Residence District (Tuckahoe). The front yard setback is not met. The applicant proposes 38 feet front yard setback, where the Code requires 40 feet front yard setback. The applicant requests a variance of 2 feet front yard setback.

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Mr. Balfour - Any others to testify in this matter? Would you raise your right hand and be sworn please.

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Mr. Blankinship - Do you swear that the testimony you are about to give is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you God?

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I do. I'm Jay Hugo, with Bond, Hugo Farley Architects. Mr. Hugo -We're here on behalf of Steve Peck, who's the applicant and the owner of the property. He's initiating a pretty comprehensive renovation addition to the property, and one component of it is cosmetic and functional improvements to the front of the house. As you can see, there's no real stoop or overhang at the front door right now, so we're proposing a front porch across the entire front of the house. I actually have a drawing of that as well, if it's not in the package. As we understand it, under the current ordinance. we'd be allowed to construct a front porch that would be approximately 6 ½ feet deep. We're proposing an 8-foot deep front porch. In our experience as designers, to do something that is suitable from a precedent standpoint, and functional as a sitting porch, 8 feet is the minimum depth. It allows about a foot of structure, about 2 feet of clearance, in front of 3 feet of seating, and then 2 feet behind the seating as well, which comes out to 8 feet. We feel like the addition of this porch would certainly enhance the streetscape and enhance the neighboring properties. What would be more significant is, we're not sure that it actually should be under the current ordinance. As we understand it, if there's not been a subdivision of the property since 1960, then the current ordinance would not apply. We believe that there actually might be an error in the computer records that the County has, that begins to reference the adjacent property in about 1958. We've actually gone back and looked through the deeds and have a continuous chain of deed until 1932 that shows the same property size as the current size and a continuous chain of ownership through that time. Evidently, College Terrace was subdivided in about 1910 originally, and we have a deed from 1932 which matches the current lot size. The house was actually built in 1937 and I'm not quite sure how to go about resolving that. I've got photocopies of all the deeds that we've come up with. It doesn't appear to have been subdivided since 1960.

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Mr. Wright - Mr. Hugo, what is located across the street from this property?

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Mr. Hugo - There is a wooded area owned by the University of Richmond that is a fairly steeply sloping site, basically undevelopable, sort of a

1998 wonderful buffer for those who are on Prospect Street right now. There are no houses. 1999 2000 Mr. Wright -It looks like this house, based on our map here, already sits 2001 a little forward of the other houses on the street. 2002 2003 Mr. Hugo -It does, with the exception of a garage that is actually almost without a setback off the Prospect Street right-of-way, that is closer to Boatwright Drive. 2004 2005 2006 Down near the corner of Boatwright and Prospect. That Mr. Wright seems to be much closer. As a matter of interest, is Bandy Road now open between 2007 Prospect Street and Three Chopt? 2008 2009 2010 Mr. Hugo -I don't know. 2011 2012 Mr. Blankinship -We had a terrible time finding the place, I know that. 2013 2014 Mr. Wright -Bandy Road used to be, if you went over that, you could lose 2015 your automobile. I've been over it many times, but I haven't been over it in a number of 2016 years. I just wondered if it was open. 2017 2018 Mr. Nunnally -How large is that house? 2019 2020 Mr. Hugo -The current house? It's about 2000 square feet, a little bit 2021 less. 2022 2023 Mr. Balfour -Any other questions? Apparently not. Thank you. 2024 2025 After an advertised public hearing and on a motion by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Nunnally, the Board granted application A-169-2002 for a variance to build a front 2026 porch at 6600 Prospect Street (College Terrace) (Parcel 763-737-1028). The Board 2027 2028 granted the variance subject to the following condition: 2029 2030 This variance applies only to the front yard setback requirement. All other applicable regulations of the County Code shall remain in force. 2031 2032 2033 Balfour, Kirkland, McKinney, Nunnally, Wright Affirmative: 5 2034 0 Negative: 2035 Absent: 0 2036 The Board granted this request, as it found from the evidence presented that, due to the 2037 unique circumstances of the subject property, strict application of the County Code 2038 would produce undue hardship not generally shared by other properties in the area, and

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2043 2044 2045 2046 2047 2048 2049	A -170-2002	CHRISTOPHER MORRIS requests a variance from Section 24-94 of Chapter 24 of the County Code to build a Florida room at 1027 Bogart Road (Clarendon Farms) (Parcel 812-734-8523), zoned R-3C, One-family Residence District (Conditional) (Fairfield). The rear yard setback is not met. The applicant has 37 feet rear yard setback, where the Code requires 40 feet rear yard setback. The applicant requests a variance of 3 feet rear yard setback.			
2050 2051 2052 2053 2054 2055 2056	Mr. Balfour - Any others to testify in this matter? Would you raise your right hand and be sworn please.				
	Mr. Blankinship - Do you swear that the testimony you are about to give is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you God?				
2057 2058 2059 2060 2061	Mr. Ford - Yes I do. Leon Ford. We're actually the contractors to build this for him. Mr. Morris couldn't make it here this morning. We just want to put a Florida Room on the back of his home. He needs the room for his expanding family. His lot is at the end of the cul-de-sac. There's a common area behind it, and he's 3 feet shy of the room he needs to do this.				
2062 2063	Mr. Nunnally -	It is a funny shaped lot.			
2064 2065 2066	Mr. Wright -	What's to the rear of this property?			
2067 2068	Mr. Ford - then beyond that is	ord - He's got a small creek running through his property, and eyond that is a common area.			
2069 2070 2071 2072	Mr. Wright - any houses back th	Looks like it's Hanover County. Is that wooded area? Are nere?			
2073 2074	Mr. Ford -	Yes it is a wooded area. No houses back there.			
2075 2076	Mr. Wright -	What's this addition to be used for?			
2077 2078 2079 2080		It's my understanding it's basically just a room for his Florida Room, just to sit back there and relax. He said he's planning child and just needs more room.			
2081 2082	Mr. Nunnally -	There's a 100-year flood plain in the rear.			
2082 2083 2084	Mr. Ford -	It's my understanding that goes in the opposite direction.			
2085 2086 2087	Mr. Balfour - these cases in reve	Any further questions? Thank you. We're going to take erse, after we call the passed cases.			

2088 2089 2090 2091 2092	After an advertised public hearing and on a motion by Mr. McKinney, seconded by Mr. Wright, the Board granted application A-170-2002 for a variance to build a Florida room at 1027 Bogart Road (Clarendon Farms) (Parcel 812-734-8523). The Board granted the variance subject to the following conditions:					
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2113 2114 2115	There being no further business, and on a motion by Mr. Wright, seconde Mr. Nunnally, the Board adjourned until November 21, 2002 , at 9:00 am.					
2116		Daniel T. Balfour,				
2117		Chairman				
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2119		Benjamin Blankinship, AICP				

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