AGENDA

TOWN OF INDIALANTIC BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT Council Chamber, 216 Fifth Avenue, Indialantic, FL 32903 Wednesday, March 8, 2023 AT 5:30 P.M.

A. Call to Order:

David A Justice Chair
Stephen Baughn Vice Chair
Safvat Kalaghchy Member
Michael Hill Member
Eileen Mullen Member
(Vacant) 1st Alternate
(Vacant) 2nd Alternate

B. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes:

Minutes – December 7, 2022

C. Variance Request:

Site address: 500 S. Palm Avenue

Zoning: R-1-A

Applicant/Owner: Evan and Kelly Donahue

1. Code Section 113-238 (d) Swimming pools -- Requesting a variance of 3' 9" from the required 10' setback to allow the water's edge to be located 6' 3" from the west (rear yard) property line.

D. Board of Adjustment regular meeting schedule:

The Town Council is considering adopting an ordinance to change the regular town council meeting time from 7pm to 6pm, which would likely conflict with the Board of Adjustment which typically meets at 5:30pm prior to the council meeting. The Board of Adjustment should discuss and choose an alternate date/time for Board of Adjustment meetings.

E. Adjournment:

Notice: Pursuant to section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, the town hereby advises the public that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by this board with respect to any matter considered at its meeting or hearing, he will need a record of the proceedings, and may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made which includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. This notice does not constitute consent by the town for the introduction or admission into evidence of otherwise inadmissible or irrelevant evidence, nor does it authorize challenges or appeals not otherwise allowed by law.

Americans with Disabilities Act: Persons planning to attend the meeting who need special assistance must notify the office of the town clerk at 321-723-2242 no later than 48 hours prior to the meeting.

Meeting Minutes

TOWN OF INDIALANTIC BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT Council Chamber, 216 Fifth Avenue, Indialantic, FL 32903

Wednesday, December 7, 2022 AT 5:30 P.M.

A. Call to Order:

A regular meeting of the Indialantic Board of Adjustment was called to order at 5:31 p.m. by Chair Justice with the following members present:

David A Justice Chair
Stephen Baughn Vice Chair
Safvat Kalaghchy Member
Michael Hill Member

Also present:

Michael Casey, Town Manager Rebekah Raddon, Town Clerk Paul Gougelman, Town Attorney Cliff Stokes, Building Official Mollie Carr, Admin. Asst.

B. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes:

Minutes – September 7, 2022

Motion by Member Hill, seconded by Vice Chair Baughn, and vote unanimous to approve the meeting minutes. Motion carried 4-0.

C. Variance Request:

Site address: 500 S. Palm Avenue

Zoning: R-1-A

Applicant/Owner: Evan and Kelly Donahue

- 1. Code Section 113-238 (d) Swimming pools Requesting a variance of 3' from the required 15' setback to allow the water's edge to be located 12' from the north (side yard) property line, on a property whose side yard abuts a street.
- 2. Code Section 113-238 (d) Swimming pools Requesting a variance of 3' from the required 10' setback to allow the water's edge to be located 7' from the west (rear yard) property line.
- **3.** Code Section 113-238 (e) Swimming pools Requesting a variance of 1' from the required 10' setback from the lot line to allow installation of pool decking 9' from the property line on a corner lot whose side yard abuts a street.
- **4.** Code Section 113-222 (c) [2] Fences, walls Requesting a variance of 10' from the required 10' setback to allow construction of a fence on the north (side yard) property line.

Chair Justice invited the applicant to speak regarding their request.

Evan Donahue, 500 S. Palm Avenue, spoke regarding the power line and small size of the backyard which necessitate the variances. Without variances, only a spa or a plunge pool would be possible.

Town Attorney Gougelman asked to have the agenda packet, photos taken by staff, and a letter of support written by John and Simi Brady made part of the record.

Discussion ensued regarding what the practical difficulty is for the variances. The board inquired if it was possible to bury the powerline and cable; Mr. Donahue advised that there is not enough easement.

The applicant confirmed that all four variances are necessary to construct a pool and all are dependent on each other.

The board inquired if the applicant had considered a smaller pool; Mr. Donahue indicated it would have to be spa-sized or a plunge pool to fit. He noted that pools are common and affect the resale value. He advised that his neighbors do not mind and it is not a significant change to the neighborhood.

There was discussion regarding putting the pool closer to the home; building official Cliff Stokes spoke regarding the additional engineering required to do so. Town Manager Michael Casey expressed concern regarding sewer and water line maintenance if a fence is installed abutting the right-of-way.

The board pointed out that pulling the pool in 3' closer to the home would eliminate the need for variances, and suggested the applicant consider altering the plans and reapplying.

There were no public comments.

Motion by Member Hill, seconded by Vice Chair Baughn, and vote unanimous to deny all variances. Motion carried 4-0.

D. Adjournment:

There being no further discussion, the meetir	ng was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.
	 David A. Justice, Chair
Attested by	David A. Justice, Chair
Rebekah Raddon, Town Clerk	



Application for Zoning Variance

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By

Chapter 113 ZONING. Article II, Div. 4. Sec. 113-117 Authority:

(a) The board of adjustment may grant variances in specific cases to vary or alter the strict application of any of the requirements of this chapter, whereby such application of a particular requirement would result in a practical difficulty or an unnecessary hardship that would deprive the owner of the reasonable use of the land or building involved.

(b) To obtain a variance the applicant must demonstrate to the board of adjustment that:

- (1) A practical difficulty or an unnecessary hardship is caused by the literal application and enforcement of the zoning code provision from which a variance is sought;
- (2) The granting of the variance will not authorize a use prohibited, or result in a use variance, in the district in which the property is located;
- (3) The preponderance of evidence presented at the variance hearing does not demonstrate that the granting of the variance will seriously impair the use of adjacent property, or significantly reduce the value of adjacent property, regardless of the zoning district in which the adjacent property is located;
- (4) The need for the variance is made necessary by the unique character of the property;
- (5) The need for the variance is not caused in any way by the owner or occupant of the property upon which the variance is sought;
- (6) That the request for a variance is not solely based on an economic disadvantage to the owner or occupant of the property upon which the variance is sought, because an economic disadvantage to an applicant does not constitute a hardship or practical difficulty sufficient to warrant the granting of a variance; and
- (7) That the request for a variance is not solely based on a need or desire of the owner or occupant of the property upon which the variance is sought to be obtained to gain an economic benefit, because an economic advantage to an applicant does not constitute a hardship or practical difficulty sufficient to warrant the granting of a variance.
- (c) In determining whether to grant a variance the board of adjustment may consider the goals, objectives and policies of the comprehensive plan.
- (d) In granting a variance, the board of adjustment may prescribe any conditions that it deems necessary or desirable in the furtherance of the purpose of this chapter.
- (e) If a variance is granted with the effect being that a building permit is required, the building permit must be obtained within twenty-four (24) months of the approval date, after that time, the variance is void. If a permit is issued and that permit expires then the variance is also terminated, or expires, with the permit. (Ord. No. 11-13, 3, 7-27-11; Ord. No. 17-08, 2, 4/12/17)

1.	Applicant states that the property is located at:
	Lot(s) Block
	Street Address 500 S. Palm Ave, Indialantic, FL 32903
2.	Applicant's contact information:
	Name: Evan & Kelly Donahue Phone: 321-704-0932/ 217-637-254

	Address: 500 S. Palm	Ave, Indialantic Email: evan @ peacockharbor. con				
3.	Property Owner (If other than applicant):					
	Property Owner Address:					
4.	The relationship of the applicant to the property is:					
	OWNER:ATTO *Owner authorization required.	DRNEY/AGENT*:TENANT*:				
5.	The property is zoned (Circle one): R-1-A; R-1-B; R-2; R-3; R-P; C; C-1; C-2; SC; CH; T					
6.	. The requested variance(s) is for the following non-conformities of the Indialantic Code:					
а	Code Section . 113-238(d)	Explain Non-conformity (variance requested) See a Hacked				
b.						
_		Attach additional pages as necessary				
	Current Property Survey and <mark>グプロの</mark> applicant initial	Site Plan for proposed variance are attached to this application				
8.	Site plans are the same as subm	itted to the Zoning Board, if applicable: ——				
9.	Describe the Practical Difficulty (see definitions, pg. 3). Attach ac	or Unnecessary Hardship which will be imposed if the variance is not granted dditional pages as necessary:				
	See attached					

Chapter 113 ZONING. Article I, Sec. 113-4 Definitions:

Practical difficulty.

In the case of a variance, a practical difficulty is a standard which is similar to but less rigorous than the unnecessary hardship standard. It is a non-self created characteristic of the property. The standard asks whether a literal enforcement of a zoning regulation will create a practical difficulty in the use of the parcel of land for the purpose or in the manner for which it is zoned. Some of the factors that may be considered in determining whether a practical difficulty exists include: (i) how substantial the variance is in relation to the requirement sought to be varied; (ii) whether a substantial change will be produced in the character of the neighborhood; (iii) whether the difficulty can be obviated by some method feasible for the applicant to pursue other than by a variance; and (iv) whether, in view of the manner in which the difficulty arose, the interest of justice will be served by allowing the variance. Finding that factors (i) (that the variance requested is not substantial); (ii) (that a substantial change in the character of the neighborhood will not occur if the variance is granted); (iii) (that the difficulty occurring can only be obviated by grant of the variance); and (iv) (that the interest of justice will be served by granting of the variance), are all factors in support of the variance.

Unnecessary hardship.

NOTARY:

In the case of a variance, an unnecessary hardship is a standard which is similar to but much more rigorous than the practical difficulty standard. The unnecessary hardship standard is a very restrictive standard. It is a non-self created characteristic of the property in question which renders it virtually impossible to use the land for the purpose or in the manner for which it is zoned. The standard asks whether a literal enforcement of a zoning regulation will create an unnecessary hardship which makes it virtually impossible to use the land for the purpose for which it is zoned.

A nonrefundable fee of \$500.00 is required at the time the application is filed. Application does not guarantee variance will be granted.

I hereby agree to the payment of the fee as prescribed by the Indialantic Code of Ordinances. I hereby

Commission expires:

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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY Application checked and accepted by Building Official:							
Date							
ACTION BY BOARD OF ADJUSTM	ENT:						
Approved	Disapproved	Date					
Board of Adjustment Chairman		Board of Adjustment Secretary					

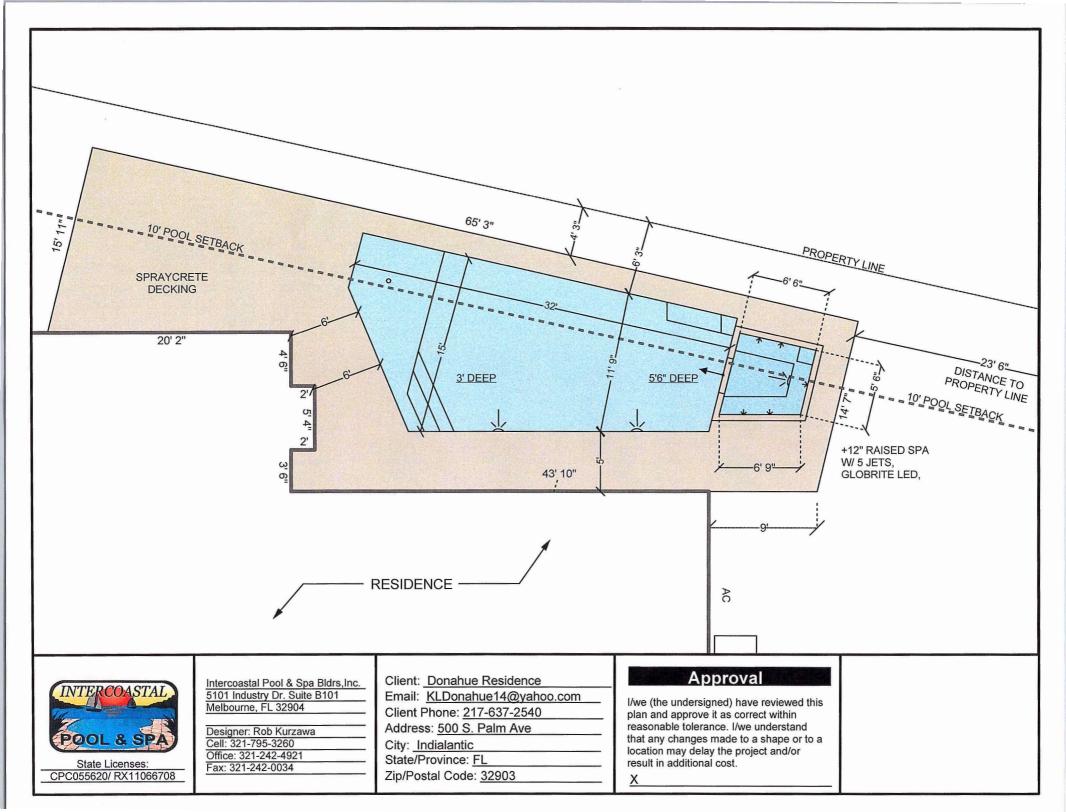
6. The requested variance(s) is for the following non-conformities of the Indialantic Code:

Code Section 113-238(d) "The inside edges of the swimming pool (the waterline) shall be setback at least ten feet from the lot lines for interior lots and at least 15 feet from the lot line on a corner lot whose side yard abuts a street."

Requesting a waterline setback reduction from 10' to 6'3" from ~west (back yard) interior property line.

9. The lot size and shape, as well as the orientation of the house on the lot reduces feasible location for a pool within setback constraints. Building closer to the house is restricted due to utility location and engineering constraints. A narrower pool fitting within the 10' interior setback would not allow room for low-impact exercise medically recommended for ongoing healthcare concerns. Additionally, we have been advised the interior finish of that narrow a pool could be compromised from the water flow needed.

In comparison to our previous variance request, this proposal moves the pool to primarily the back yard from the side yard, reducing the number of variance requests to one. It does not change the fence location, thereby does not impact curb appearance. This plan requires moving the power line from the current location overhead above the proposed pool location to a location on the ~east side of the house via underground conduit. Electrical service re-routing to other locations has been attempted but proven too difficult due to Attic design, utility pole location, and house orientation.



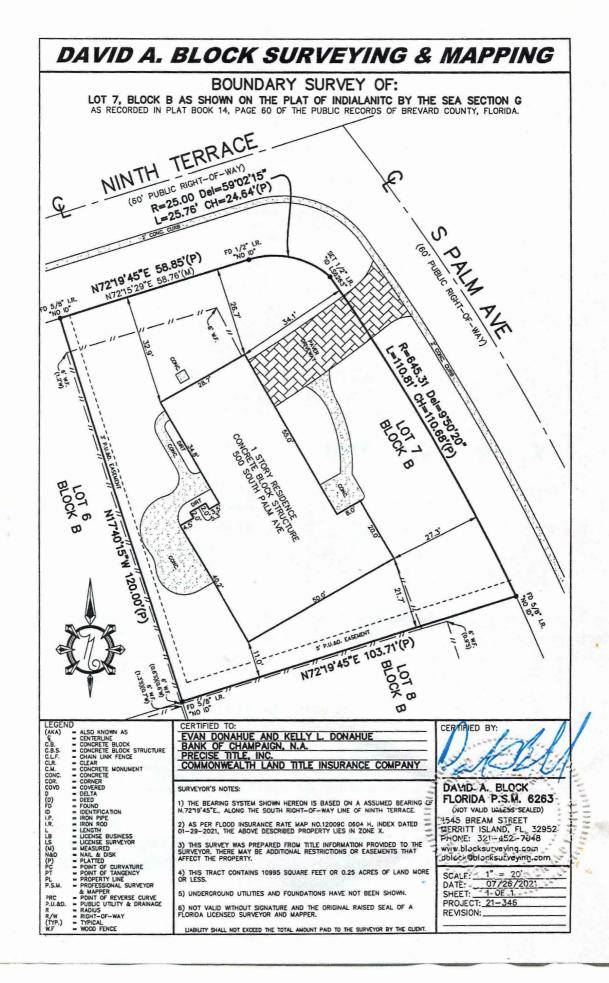




Figure 1: Proposed water's edge (approx.) highlighted in yellow. 10' setback (approx.) shown in orange/black, highlighted in red.



Figure 2: Proposed water's edge (approx.) in yellow. 10' setback (approx.) shown in orange/black, highlighted in red.



Figure 3: Proposed water's edge (approx.) in yellow. 10' setback (approx.) shown in orange/black, highlighted in red.



Figure 4: Proposed water's edge (approx.) in yellow. 10' setback (approx.) shown in orange/black, highlighted in red.

MERRITT ISLAND FOOT AND ANKLE, INC.

2404 N. Courtenay Pkwy., Merritt Island, FL 32953 6549 N Wickham Road, Suite 103E Melbourne, Florida 32940

February 6, 2023

To Whom This May Concern,

Kelly Donahue is under my professional medical care for a foot condition. I have advised her that exercise in the form of swimming will be extremely beneficial for her.

Swimming is in her best interests to achieve optimal healing for her condition.

If you need any additional information, please feel free to contact my office.

Sincerely,

Dr Mark Beylin

Tel: (321) 452-1327

Fax: (321) 454-9208

www.brevardfootdoctor.com

DONAHUE, Kelly LYNETTE (id #18089230, dob: 02/12/1979)





Viera Office STE D

7125 Murrell Road Suite D VIERA, FL 32940-7999 Phone: (321) 242-8790, Fax: 321-254-4960

Date: 02/10/2023

RE: Kelly Donahue, DOB: 02/12/1979, PT ID #18089230

Dear,

To whom it may concern,

Mrs. Donahue is a patient of my office who has been seen for left knee pain to which was found over the years including evaluation and imaging by and orthopedic to be dearangement of the knee for which she has been highly advised to do low impact exercises such as swimming daily/multiple times a day to help with this injury without further damage to her knee. If you have any further questions or concerns reguarding this matter please contact my office at 321-434-2524.

Sincerely,

Electronically Signed by: LAUREN BRATSCH, APRN

LAUREN BRATSCH APRN 7125 Murrell Rd Suite D Melbourne, Fl 32940

Office: 321-434-2524 Fax: 321-254-4960