

**Sherwood Board of Adjustments**  
**Minutes**  
**May 14, 2013**

The Sherwood Board of Adjustments met for their regularly scheduled meeting on May 14, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 2201 E. Kiehl Avenue, Sherwood, AR 72120.

**Members Present**

Forrest Penny - Chairman  
Lucien Gillham  
Albert Harris  
Scott Miller  
Andrew Phillips

**Staff Present**

Ellen Norvell – City Engineer  
Steve Cobb – City Attorney

Chairman Penny called the meeting to order.

Mr. Gillham made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 9, 2013 meeting. Mr. Harris seconded the motion. The roll call vote was unanimous to approve the minutes.

Chairman Penny swore in City Engineer Ellen Norvell.

**A Request for an Expansion of a Non-Conforming Use at 516 & 520 W. Lee Avenue for a Storage Building, Phillip Persson, Owner.** Phillip Persson was present to discuss the request. Chairman Penny swore in Mr. Persson. Mr. Persson stated that his existing storage building was demolished in the ice storm about 4 months ago. He stored equipment for his painting business that he has had for about 25 years. He extended the footings off of the existing slab in order to construct it correctly. When someone called to complain, he contacted the City and the City told him to cease and desist. That is what he did. City Engineer Ellen Norvell stated that it was a non-conforming structure. Since it was destroyed by an ice storm, he is allowed to rebuild it exactly as it was. However, since he wanted to construct it larger the Board of Adjustments would have to approve an expansion of a non-conforming structure. Several property

owners on Hollyridge Cove spoke against approving the expansion. They did not feel the structure was appropriate for a residential neighborhood. Mr. Gillham stated that he had been fairly liberal about granting variances for storage buildings in the past, but only when the neighbors did not object and when he did not feel the neighborhood was lessened. He feels that the character of the neighborhood has been compromised by this large structure. Mr. Gillham made a motion to deny the expansion of a non-conforming use at 516 and 520 W. Lee Ave. Mr. Harris seconded the motion. The roll call was unanimous to deny the expansion of a non-conforming use.

There being no further business, Mr. Gillham made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Harris seconded the motion. The roll call vote was unanimous to adjourn.

ATTEST:

  
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Ellen Norvell, City Engineer

  
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Forrest Penny, Chairman