# The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes

**Committee of Adjustment Report – Farewell** 

Report Number COA2019-057

Public Meeting	
Meeting Date:	September 19, 2019
Time:	1:00 pm
Location:	Council Chambers, City Hall, 26 Francis Street, Lindsay

### Ward 1 – Geographic Township of Bexley

**Subject:** The purpose and effect is to request relief from Section 3.1.2.2 to reduce the minimum side yard setback for an accessory building from 1.2 metres to 0.6 metres in order to permit the construction of a new boathouse.

The variance is requested at 726 Balsam Lake Drive, geographic Township of Bexley (File D20-2019-040).

Daniel Harling Author: David Harding, Planner II Signature:

### **Recommendations:**

Resolved That Report COA2019-057 Julia Farewell be received;

**That** minor variance application D20-2019-040 be GRANTED, as the application meets the tests set out in Section 45(1) of the Planning Act.

#### **Conditions:**

- That the construction of the boathouse related to this approval shall proceed substantially in accordance with the sketch in Appendix C-2 and elevations in Appendix D submitted as part of report COA2019-057, which shall be attached to and form part of the Committee's Decision;
- 2) **That** prior to the issuance of a Building Permit the Secretary-Treasurer receive written confirmation from the Chief Building Official that the surface runoff generated by the boathouse is managed to their satisfaction; and
- 3) That the building construction related to the minor variance shall be completed within a period of twenty-four (24) months after the date of the Notice of Decision, failing which this application shall be deemed to be refused. This condition will be considered fulfilled upon completion of the first Building Inspection.

This approval pertains to the application as described in report COA2019-057. Fulfillment of all conditions is required for the Minor Variance to be considered final and binding.

Background:	The owners propose to replace an existing 4 x 5 metre boathouse constructed circa 1916 (MPAC) with a 4 x 7 metre boathouse.
Owner:	Julia Farewell
Applicant:	Ryan Hayter, RWH Construction
Legal Description:	Part Lot 16, North West Bay Range, geographic Township of Bexley, now City of Kawartha Lakes
Official Plan:	Waterfront within the City of Kawartha Lakes Official Plan
Zone:	Rural Residential Type Three (RR3) Zone within the Township of Bexley Zoning By-law 93-09
Site Size:	3,040 square metres
Site Servicing:	Private individual well and sewage system.
Existing Uses:	Shoreline Residential
Adjacent Uses:	East, West: Shoreline Residential North: Forest, Shoreline Residential Backlots South: Balsam Lake

## Rationale:

1) Is the variance minor in nature? <u>Yes</u> And

#### 2) Is the proposal desirable and appropriate for the use of the land? Yes

The subject property is a shoreline residential lot within a shoreline residential neighbourhood.

The new boathouse is proposed to be constructed upon a very similar footprint slightly to the southwest and north of the existing footprint, and would be two metres longer than the existing boathouse.

Due to the grade difference between the dwelling and shore, the rear yard consists of a deck and two retaining wall structures that create a terrace effect down to the water. A continuous length of stone steps that run very close to the southwestern boathouse wall link the deck and surrounding lawn to the shore.

The proposal will permit the re-establishment of a boathouse in the same general area without the relocation of the existing steps and modification to the retaining walls that create the terracing.

The boathouse is proposed at a slight angle to the side lot line to keep in-line with the existing stone steps. As such the proposed 0.6 metre side yard setback only applies to the northeast corner. The spatial separation of the boathouse

wall to the side lot line gradually broadens up to 1.1 metre at the southeast corner of the boathouse.

The new boathouse proposes a flat roof design that angles away from the mutual lot line, directing rainwater away from the reduced side yard and mitigating stormwater drainage and maintenance issues along the northeastern side wall and reduced side yard. Additionally, minimal eaves are proposed, further lessening the eave projection into the side yard from the traditional 0.6 metres to 0.16 metres. The minimal eave projections also assist in providing some additional space between the proposed boathouse wall and side lot line to conduct maintenance in the reduced side yard space, should it be required.

The sloping grade within the rear yard is substantial enough that the existing boathouse is built into the slope to the extent that northern ends of the two rear eaves are just above the grade of the lawn. The new boathouse is also proposed to be built into the side of the slope, though there will be some more vertical separation between the lawn and eaves. As such, the massing impact to the abutting neighbor will be minimal since the boathouse will continue to be built into the slope and will only be about 4 metres in height where the walls are fully exposed, presenting a modest built form from the shoreline.

Therefore, the variance is minor in nature and desirable and appropriate for the use of the land.

# 3) Does the variance maintain the intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law? <u>Yes</u>

The property is zoned Rural Residential Type Three (RR3) Zone within the Township of Bexley Zoning By-law.

The General Provision from which relief is sought provides for sufficient spatial separation to avoid lot grading and drainage issues, provides sufficient space for maintenance access between the building and lot line, and reduces any massing and land use conflict impacts that may be caused through increased proximity to a lot line.

In this case, the boathouse is to be built into the side of the slope, substantially reducing its height profile. Any portion of the wall which remains fully exposed to the abutting neighbour will be in close proximity to the shoreline and will be approximately 4 metres in height, presenting a modest built form. Additionally, modifications have been made to the boathouse design to direct rainwater away from the reduced side yard and to reduce the projection of eaves to pull the boathouse away from the lot line and provide some additional space to perform maintenance within the reduced side yard should it be required. The redirection of rainwater drainage is an improvement from the gable design of the existing boathouse, which deposits rainwater into the reduced side yard.

The Engineering and Corporate Assets Department has commented that they are supportive of the application as the construction does not propose to alter the existing lot drainage pattern.

The variance meets the general intent and purpose of the zoning by-law.

# 4) Does the variance maintain the intent and purpose of the Official Plan? <u>Yes</u>

The property is designated Waterfront within the City of Kawartha Lakes Official Plan. Residential uses, including accessory uses, are anticipated within the designation. The variance maintains the general intent and purpose of the Official Plan

#### Other Alternatives Considered:

Staff requested that reductions to the eave projection into the reduced side yard be considered. The applicant made this change and further altered the design to direct rainwater runoff away from the reduced side yard.

#### Servicing Comments:

The property is serviced by a private individual well and septic system.

#### **Consultations:**

Notice of this application was circulated in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act. Comments have been received from:

#### Agency Comments:

Building Division (September 9, 2019): Surface runoff is to be managed to the satisfaction of the Chief Building Official.

Engineering and Corporate Assets Department (September 6, 2019): No concerns as proposal is not altering existing lot drainage patterns.

#### Public Comments:

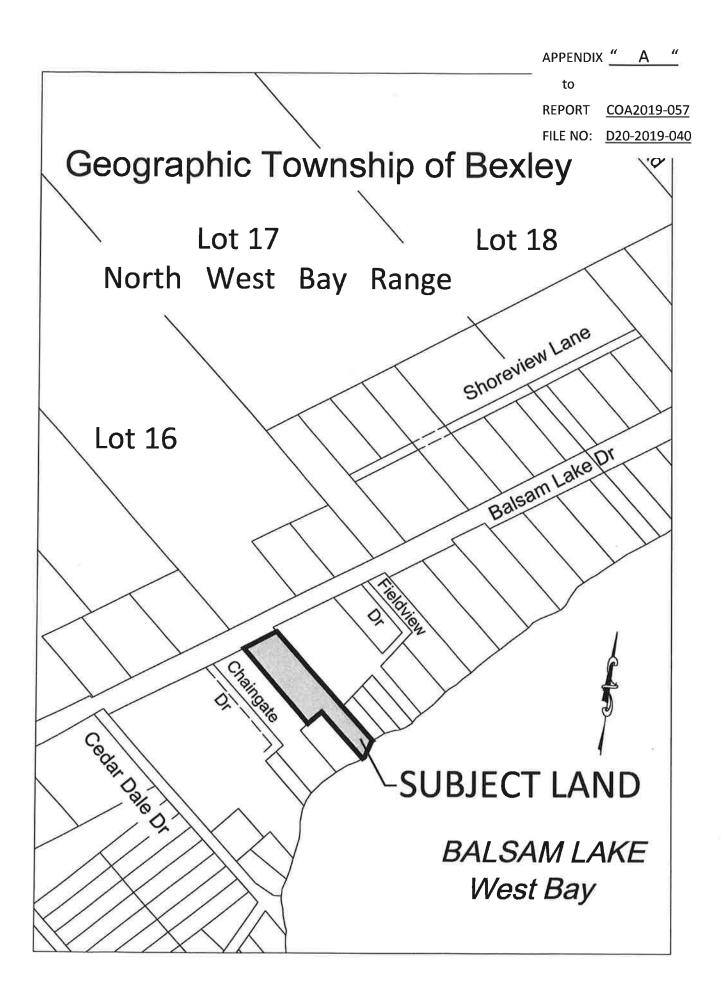
No comments received as of September 10, 2019.

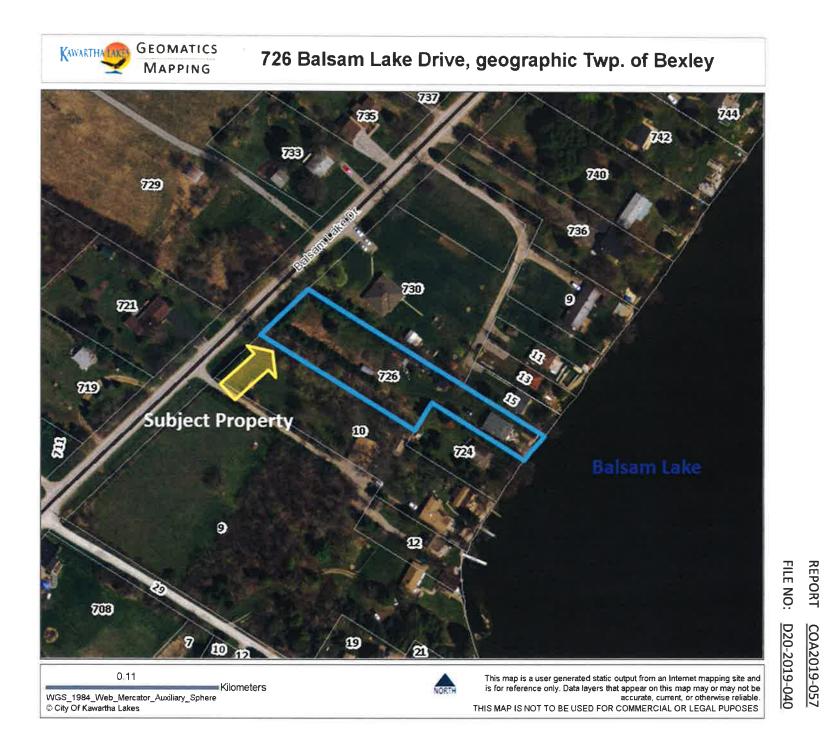
#### Attachments:



Appendix A – Location Map Appendix B – Aerial Photo Appendix C – Applicant's Sketches Appendix D – Conceptual Elevations Appendix E – Department and Agency Comments

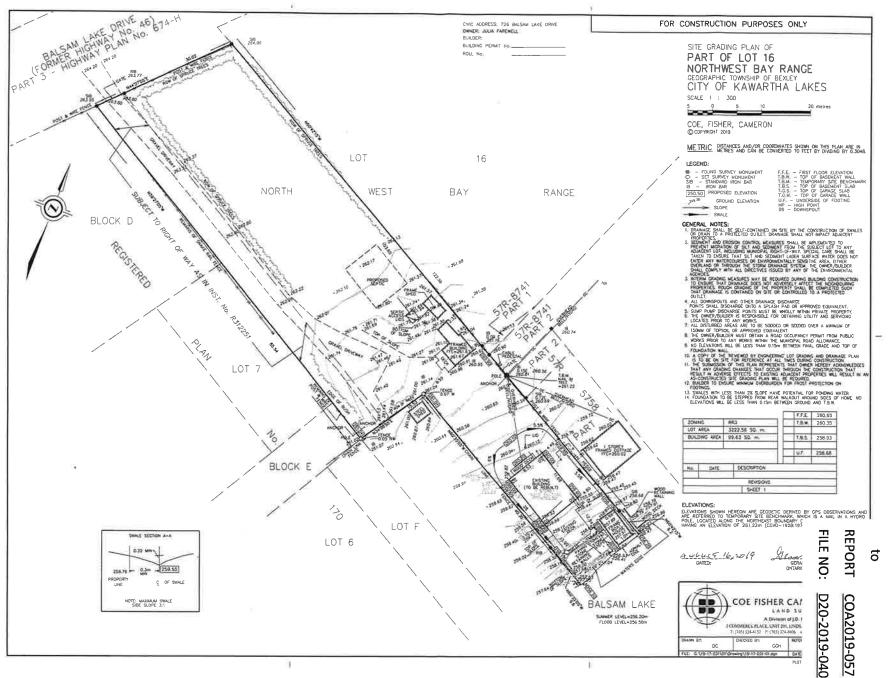
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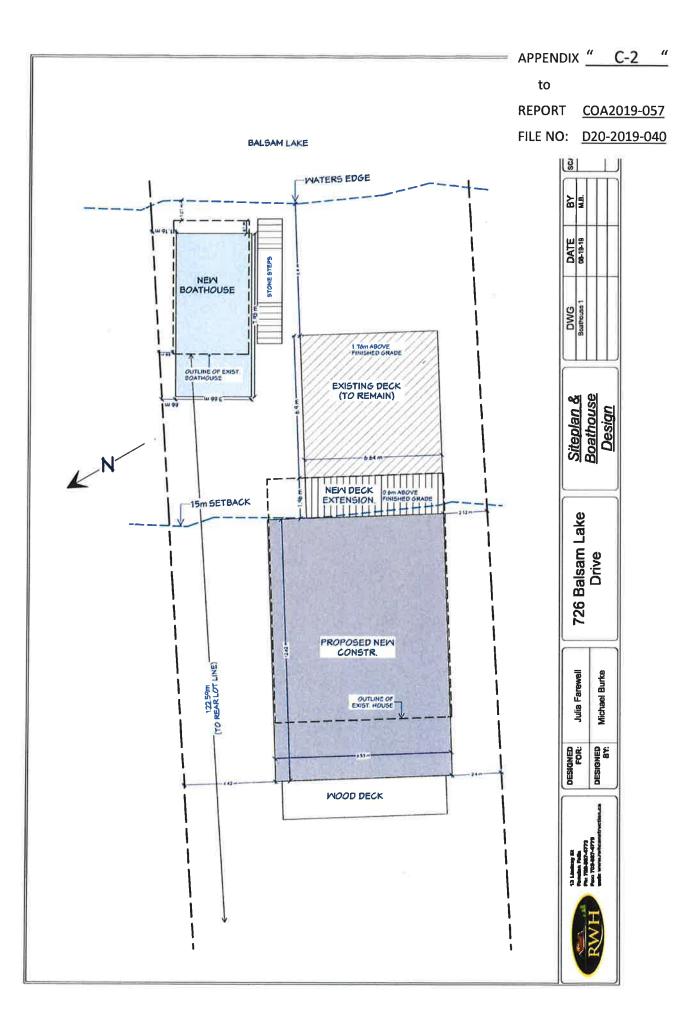
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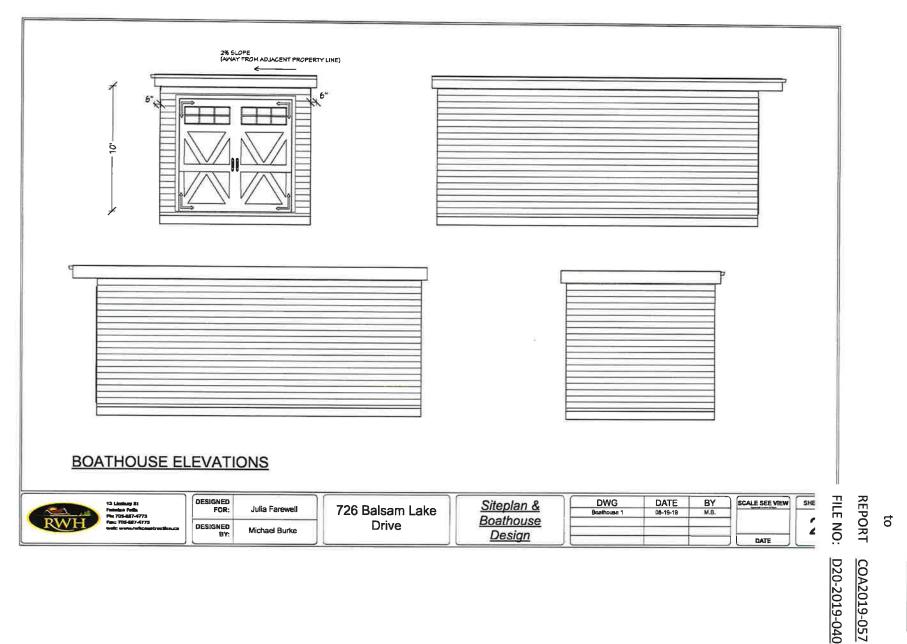
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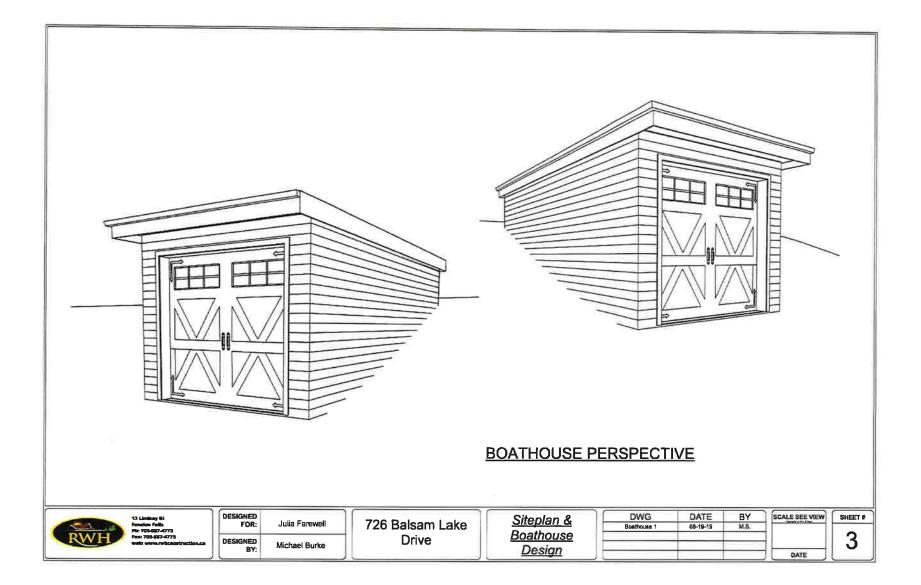
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David Harding		REPORT 6042019-057
From: Sent: To: Subject:	Derryk Wolven Monday, September 09, 2019 3:44 PM Charlotte Crockford-Toomey Cof A	FILE NO. D20-2019-040

Please be advised building division has the following comments. D20-2019-038 No concerns D20-2019-039 No concerns D20-2019-040 Surface runoff to be managed to the satisfaction of the Chief Building Official D20-2019-041 No Concerns

Kind regards,

**Derryk Wolven, CBCO** Plans Examiner Development Services, Building Division, City of Kawartha Lakes 705-324-9411 ext. 1273 <u>www.kawarthalakes.ca</u>



#### **David Harding**

From:	Christina Sisson
Sent:	Friday, September 06, 2019 4:26 PM
To:	Mark LaHay
Cc:	Kirk Timms; Kim Rhodes; Charlotte Crockford-Toomey
Subject:	20190906 D20-2019-040 Engineering Review
Importance:	High

#### Please see the message below from Christina Sisson:

Good Afternoon Mark - further to our engineering review of the following:

Minor Variance – D20-2019-040 726 Balsam Lake Drive, Range North West Bay Part Lot 16 Geographic Township of Bexley

It is the understanding by Engineering that the purpose and effect is to request relief from Section 45(1) of the Planning Act to reduce the minimum side yard setback for an accessory building from 1.2 metres to 0.6 metres to permit the construction of a new boathouse. We recognize the proposed side yard setback is less than the minimum setback recommended (1.0 to 1.2 metres) and note that the existing boathouse is in closer proximity. Any existing drainage patterns will remain.

From an engineering perspective, we have no objection to the proposed Minor Variance.

Please do not hesitate to contact our office if you have any questions.

Thanks,

**CHRISTINA** 

**Christina Sisson, P.Eng.** Supervisor, Development Engineering Engineering & Corporate Assets, City of Kawartha Lakes 705-324-9411 ext. 1152 <u>www.kawarthalakes.ca</u>

