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Subject: April 23, 2020 Public Hearing/Black Dog Design and Construction

In reference to meeting of April 23, 2020, regarding an area variance to increase the degree of non-conformity of the side yard and combined side yard to build a 12' x 16' deck. I hereby reject said variance. Our houses are extremely close together with very little land between them. By building such a large deck on back of house, this will offer no privacy for me or future homeowner. Mr. Feeney should have thought about this when designing the house he built. If he had put the backdoor on other end of the house there would have been no problem. Both homes would have had better privacy. Therefore, I am requesting that his deck be made a little smaller and that it not come to the end of the house but started a little closer to the back door. Don't start at the end of the house; start closer to the back door. This would help out immensely on the privacy issue. The official 15' should remain in tact. It was put there for a reason. You shouldn't be able to change this just because a contractor wants to. Contractors should be held accountable for the houses they build and the amount of land they have to build on. If Mr. Feeney would like to discuss this issue, I would be more than happy to do so. Thank you for hearing my concerns about this issue. I would have preferred coming to this meeting in person but unfortunately circumstances warrant us not to. I will send photo of back of houses separately.

