

APPLICATION TO BOARD OF APPEALS

Tel. No. —

Appeal No. 2023-042
Date August 17, 2023

TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS, WEST SENECA, NEW YORK:

I (we) Meghan McCarthy of 1602 State Route 19
Wyoming, NY 14591, HEREBY APPEAL TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS FROM THE
DECISION OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR ON AN APPLICATION FOR A BUILDING PERMIT, WHEREBY THE BUILDING
INSPECTOR DID DENY PERMIT TO: Keep (6) hens on property

- A PERMIT FOR USE
 A PERMIT FOR OCCUPANCY
 A TEMPORARY PERMIT OR EXTENSION THEREOF
- A CERTIFICATE OF EXISTING USE
 A CERTIFICATE OF ZONING COMPLIANCE
 AREA PERMIT

1. Applicant is the PROPERTY OWNER
 CONTRACTOR FOR THE WORK CONCERNED HEREIN
 PROSPECTIVE TENANT
 OTHER (Describe) _____

2. LOCATION OF THE PROPERTY 722 Cindy Lane

3. State in general the exact nature of the permission required, Requesting to keep
(6) chickens (hens) on property

4. PREVIOUS APPEAL. No previous appeal has been made with respect to this decision of the Building Inspector or with respect
to this property, except the appeal made in Appeal No. _____, dated _____, 20_____.

5. REASON FOR APPEAL.

A. A Variance to the Zoning Ordinance is requested because strict application of the ordinance would produce undue hardship, or
the hardship created is unique and is not shared by all properties alike in the immediate vicinity of this property and in this use district,
or the variance would observe the spirit of the ordinance and would not change the character of the district because: _____

Please see attached

B. Interpretation of the Zoning Ordinance is requested because: Non-permitted use in
zoning district

C. A Special or Temporary Permit or an Extension thereof Under the Zoning Ordinance is requested pursuant to Article _____,
Section 120, Subsection 13, Paragraph _____ of the Zoning Ordinance, because: non-permitted

use in R-65 zoning

Meghan McCarthy
Applicant's Signature

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

1. Provision(s) of the Zoning Ordinance Appealed, including article, section, subsection or paragraph of the Zoning Ordinance
TOWS zoning ~~Article~~ 120-13 R-65 permitted uses.

2. Zoning Classification of the property concerned in this appeal R-65

3. Type of Appeal:

- Variance to the Zoning Ordinance.
 Interpretation of the Zoning Ordinance or Zoning Map.
 Special or Temporary Permit or an extension thereof under the Zoning Ordinance.

4. A statement of any other facts or data which should be considered in this appeal. _____

Building Inspector JGR

Jeff Baksa

From:
Sent: Wednesday, August 16, 2023 12:27 PM
To: Jeff Baksa
Subject: chicken variance

Good Morning Jeff,

Thank you for speaking with me earlier regarding the process to request a variance to keep chickens on my property.

Please see the paragraph below explaining the request:

I respectfully appeal to the West Seneca Town Board for consideration for a variance to keep six hens on our future property at 722 Cindy Lane (estimated closing date September 29). If granted our appeal, we will keep the coop at the back of the yard, at least 10 feet from any dwelling and 3 feet from side property lines. We have raised our small flock by hand over the past two years, and they have become like members of our family. They contribute not only to our daily lives but also to the overall welfare of the environment. As a professional with degrees in Registered Nursing and Animal Management, I am well-versed in the importance of maintaining clean, enriching and well-managed living spaces, ensuring that the coop is well kept and free from pests at all times. Allowing us to keep these hens would not only provide our family with a sustainable source of fresh eggs but also serve as an educational opportunity for my family, promoting awareness about responsible animal care and the importance of local food production and promoting a more environmentally stable lifestyle. Additionally, their natural foraging behavior can aid in pest control as chickens love to eat bugs, especially grubs and ticks, reducing the need for harmful chemical pesticides. In light of my experience, dedication, and commitment to upholding the well-being of both our small flock and our community, I kindly request the town board's approval to continue raising these hens in our new suburban setting.

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