

Property: 2214 St. James Church Road, Newton, NC 28658
Property Owner: Karen Blankenship (formally Karen Sigmon)
Parcel ID: 364920706777

To Zoning Board, we are asking for a variance to either leave our metal building where it sits or give us leniency on the set back of 18' required for our property per the current zoning restrictions. I purchased the property in 1997 and have worked very hard to make the property an inviting look as you enter the subdivision. The company we purchased the building advised us we didn't have to have a permit unless it was put on a foundation which it is not. We may should have checked but understood he knew the permit requirements. We understand that this is not justified for a variance but do ask that you give us some grace if possible.

- A. Our property is on a corner lot and our septic lines run through our backyard and the only place that we can put a building is on the portion that it now currently set due to other structures, trees, and septic lines.
- B. We are unable to extend our property size due to properties adjacent to our property.
- C. The building was set based on what we understood was our property line based on the plat I received when purchasing the property which was changed in 2006 which I was unaware. Moving the building the required footage is a hardship due to where it would have to be moved and then it wouldn't pass due to the septic lines, trees, and patio.
- D. The building currently sets in alignment with the property's building behind us on the same side which was grandfathered in during the 2006 rezoning. The building is not a hindrance to the subdivision road and all utilities lines are not affected by its' location.