

**Case No. 5536**

**OFFICIAL DECISION  
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS  
CARROLL COUNTY, MARYLAND**

**APPLICANT:** Robin M. Pierson  
2815 Patapsco Road  
Finksburg, MD 21048

**ATTORNEY:** N/A

**REQUEST:** A conditional use request for a childcare facility on holidays and school closings during the school year in the Religious Education Building/Gymnasium at St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church.

**LOCATION:** The site is located at 915 Liberty Road, Eldersburg, on property zoned "R-10,000" Residential District in Election District 5.

**BASIS:** Code of Public Local Laws and Ordinances, Section 223-79 F and 223-86 A

**HEARING HELD:** February 24, 2010

**FINDINGS AND CONCLUSION**

On February 24, 2010, the Board of Zoning Appeals (the Board) convened to hear a conditional use request for a childcare facility on holidays and school closings during the school year. Based on the testimony and evidence presented, the Board made the following findings and conclusion:

The Applicant has an established chain of day care providers. They wish to lease space in St. Joseph's Church facility for occasional day care services for the public. It is estimated that the space will be used 12 to 15 days per year, typically when public and private schools are closed for holidays, administrative purposes, or due to inclement weather. There will be up to 5 employees at this location on days when day care is in session. Hours will be from 6:45 a.m. to 6:15 p.m. It is estimated that up to 45 children will attend on these days.

The church facility already has ample parking. In addition, drop off and pick up times of children will be sporadic and staggered during the day.

Based on the above, the Board found that the proposed day care center at this location would not generate adverse effects above and beyond those normally associated with such a use. Accordingly, the conditional use was granted.

*March 19, 2010*  
Date

*Charles H. Wheatley III*  
Charles H. Wheatley, III, Chairman