BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MINUTES  
September 4, 2019  
Law Enforcement Center  
Rusk County Courthouse

Staff Present: Yvonne Johnson (Zoning Administrator)  
Danielle Zimmer (Chief Deputy County Clerk)  
Loren Beebe (County Clerk)

Roll Call Board Present:  [X] Robert Lorkowski  [X] Stanley Kromrey (Alternate)  
[X] Robert Nelson  [X] Betsy Patterson (Alternate)  
[X] Thomas Meisner

Public Present: Patrick Weyer (Applicant/Landowner)

Call to order: Meeting called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chair Meisner.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Nelson, second by Lorkowski to approve minutes from December 6, 2018. Motion carried by aye vote.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Meisner, second by Kromrey to approve to agenda. Motion carried by aye vote.

Board of Adjustment members introduced themselves.

Compliance of Open Meeting Laws - Notice: Zimmer stated the notice of public hearing and agenda were posted per the requirements of a Class (2) notice.
  • Three locations in the Township of Grow.  
  • Three locations in the Rusk County Courthouse.  
  • The landowner / applicant, DNR and town clerk were notified by certified mail.  
  • Neighboring property owners within 500’ were notified by first class mail.  
  • Notice was published in the Ladysmith Newspaper on August 15th and August 22nd.

PUBLIC HEARING

Call to order: Public Hearing opened at 1:03 p.m. by Chair Meisner.

Purpose of Public Hearing: Chair Meisner stated the reason for the Board of Adjustment. Yvonne Johnson, Zoning Administrator explained that board does meet jurisdictional requirements.

Testimony:
  • Patrick Weyer, Applicant, provided testimony regarding hardship and situation involving building starting prior to application for permit.  
  • Yvonne Johnson, Zoning Administrator, provided board members with a letter from the DNR and testimony and evidence. Johnson read letter from Kathi Kramasz, Water Management Specialist from the DNR.
Site Visit: Motion by Patterson, second by Lorkowski to forgo a site visit as enough evidence and testimony has been provided. Motion carried. No on site visit.

Additional Testimony: Weyer explained that walls and rafters have been built. Johnson explained that starting a project and financial burden does not meet any of the requirements set forth. Johnson gave recommendation that board deny variance request.

Public Hearing: Closed at 1:43 p.m.

Meeting Opened: 1:43 p.m.

Board members reviewed board vote paperwork.

Board Vote: Unnecessary Hardship:
Yes: 0 No: 3

Unique Property Limitations:
Yes: 0 No: 3

Harm to Public Interest:
Yes: 3 No: 0

Motion by Lorkowski, second by Nelson to deny variance as recommended by the Zoning Office. Motion carried.

Adjourned: Motion by Nelson, second by Lorkowski to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
Danielle Zimmer, Chief Deputy County Clerk
Minutes completed: 9/5/19
Minutes approved: 6/23/20