

## **MINUTES**

### **Blue Earth County Board of Adjustment**

**Regular Meeting Wednesday August 3, 2016**

**7:00 p.m.**

#### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Chairman Lyle Femrite. Board of Adjustment members present were Bill Anderson, Kurt Anderson, Lyle Femrite, Chuck Grams and Barry Jacques. Planning & Zoning staff members Chris Hedin, Chris Meeks, Aaron Stubbs, and George Leary were also present.

#### **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Due to the continuation of the July BOA meeting to August 3<sup>rd</sup>, minutes were unavailable for review and approval.

#### **3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mr. Leary indicated there was no change to the agenda.

#### **4. NEW BUSINESS**

##### **BOA 09-16**

**Mike and Cathy Riley** - Request for review and approval of a variance to reduce the required front yard setback from 130 feet to 113 feet for the purpose of constructing a living space addition to an existing home. The property is zoned agricultural and is located in part of the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 30, Shelby Township.

Mr. Hedin presented the staff report.

The applicant was present and had no comment.

There was no public comment.

Mr. Femrite indicated the staff report was clear surrounding the details.

Kurt Anderson concurred with Mr. Femrite. He added that the findings presented by staff addressed each requirement and included reasoning.

Bill Anderson indicated the site is restricted and what is being proposed is the best.

Kurt Anderson added there is no further encroachment of the structure to the setback.

There was no further discussion.

Following the discussion, Bill Anderson made a motion to approve the variance request and to adopt the findings as proposed by staff.

Mr. Jacques seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**5. OTHER BUSINESS**

**Review and adoption of By-Laws and Procedures**

Mr. Femrite provided a brief overview of the events leading up to the final review and adoption. He added that it is a well written document.

Kurt Anderson concurred and added it was good to have the County Attorney's office review the proposal. He offered his appreciation for the workshop at which Scott Anderson spoke.

There was no public comment.

Following the discussion, Mr. Jacques made a motion to adopt the By-Laws and Procedures as proposed.

Mr. Grams seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

Bill Anderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Jacques seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

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Board of Adjustment Chair

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Board of Adjustment Secretary