

Coordinated Development In

# MOWER COUNTY

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AUSTIN-MOWER COUNTY PLANNING DEPT.

MINUTES OF THE 85TH MEETING OF THE MOWER COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Members Present: Kenneth Trom, Jen Ulwelling, William Milbrath, Merrill Chesebrough

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Julie Lewon

The 85th meeting of the Mower County Board of Adjustment was called to order by Chairman Trom on Thursday, July 31, 1986 at 7:30 p.m. in the Commissioners Conference Room in the Mower County Courthouse. Minutes of the June 24, 1986 minutes were approved as mailed on a motion by Mr. Chesebrough, seconded by Mrs. Ulwelling and passed unanimously.

Wilfred Bissen - Variance to Allow a Building to be Closer to the Road Right-of-Way than the Required 40 Feet - Ms. Lewon read the staff report. Mr. Bissen is requesting a 40 foot variance from the requirement that a building be 40 feet from the road right-of-way. The property is 77.96 acres in the S 1/2 of the SW 1/4, Section 7, Adams Township. Mr. Bissen currently has three steel bins and one shop building located at the edge of the right-of-way of the township road. He is proposing to remove the building and first steel bin and to then build a two-car garage and workshop on the same spot. The new building would be the same distance from the road as the old building, right at the right-of-way line.

Mr. Bissen was not present at the meeting, but Ms. Lewon reported that he felt he is unable to place the new building 40 feet from the right-of-way or any farther back than he is proposing because of the location of other existing buildings and the space needed to move the farm equipment around the building.

The Board reviewed the conditions for granting a variance and it was determined as follows:

1) The variance is in harmony with the ordinances' general intent and purpose as it does not establish any new setback line. There are four existing buildings already at this setback and the new building is simply replacing an old one.

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2) The variance is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan as no new setback line is being established any closer to the township road than the existing buildings.

3) Practical difficulties are shown due to the location of the existing buildings to the north and east and the need to leave adequate room between the existing buildings and new building to maneuver farm equipment. There is no other place to locate the new building without severely interfering with the pre-existing buildings.

Following further discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Milbrath to approve the 40 foot variance request. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Ulwelling and passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Chesebrough, seconded by Mr. Milbrath and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Julie Lewon  
Acting Secretary

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