

Coordinated Development In

MOWER COUNTY

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AUSTIN-MOWER COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Minutes of the 105th Meeting of the Mower County Board of Adjustment

Members Present: Merrill Chesebrough, Bill Milbrath, Ken Trom, Jen Ulwelling

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Katie Losness

The meeting of the Mower County Board of Adjustment was called to order by Chair Trom on Monday, November 7, 1988, at 2:00 p.m. in the Red Room of the Mower County Courthouse in Austin, Minnesota. Minutes of the August 31, 1988, meeting were approved as mailed on a motion made by Mrs. Ulwelling, seconded by Mr. Chesebrough and passed unanimously.

Variance to Allow an Addition to Existing Building Twenty-five Feet from the right-of-way of County Road #2 - Lynn Allas: Ms. Losness read the staff report. Lynn Allas, Lansing, is requesting a fifteen foot variance from the 40 foot setback from County Road #2 for an addition to the existing building for larger living quarters in Section 3 of Lansing Twp (148.5 ft, S 147 ft, SE 1/4 SE 1/4). The existing land use is "Wood-n-Stuff" business and zoning is rural. Surrounding land use and zoning is as follows: North is Agricultural, zoned rural; South is storage facility, zoned rural; East is Post Office, zoned rural; and West is Residential & Hunting, zoned rural and industrial.

Ronny Thompson and Doug Thompson of Lansing were present but had no objection to the petition. Ms. Losness told the Board that John Grindeland of the County Engineering Department had viewed the site and did not see any problem with the variance. The Board discussed the variance and found that the variance is in harmony with the Ordinance's spirit and intent as it would not be taking any agricultural land out of production and would not establish a new setback. It is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan for the same reasons. The Board made a finding of particular hardship because there would be no reason use for the property with the creek to the north, the plight of the landowner is due to circumstances unique to the property not created by the landowner, namely the creek and the Board felt that the variance would not alter the essential character of the neighborhood. Therefore, Mr. Milbrath made a motion to approve the fifteen foot variance. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Ulwelling and passed unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m. on a motion made by Mrs. Ulwelling, seconded by Mr. Milbrath and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Losness
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