

CITY OF OTTAWA
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REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE
CITY OF OTTAWA ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
May 19, 2011

Mayor Robert Eschbach
City Council Members
City of Ottawa
Ottawa, IL. 61350

Gentlemen:

A meeting of the Ottawa Zoning Board of Appeals was held on Thursday May 19, 2011 at 7:00 pm in Council Chambers, Ottawa, IL. Members present were Charles Sheridan, Steve Walsh, Todd Volker and Jim Conness.

Charles Sheridan chaired the meeting.

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the last meeting be approved.
Motion passed.

The chairman noted that the Zoning Board of Appeals only recommends to the city council, and recommended to any one appearing before this board to also attend the next city council meeting. The Chairman also read the five standards for variances to those appearing before the board.

Concerning the request for an appeal from the Zoning Ordinance for the following described properties:

I

Lot 17 in Block 6 in Union Addition, in the City of Ottawa, LaSalle County, Illinois, commonly known as 218 E Fremont Street owned by Greg and Ann Nelson, for the purpose of a request for a setback variance to install a pool.

The Chairmen asked if there was anyone present to speak on the ordinance.

Mr. Greg Nelson appeared before the Board to request a side yard and back yard setback variance to install a 15 foot, above ground pool in his back yard. Mr. Nelson noted that the pool would be 3'-6" from the back yard, North property line, and 3'- 6" from the side yard, East property line.

Chairman asked if there was anyone present to oppose the appeal. No one appeared before the Board in opposition.

The Board members discussed the ordinance and the variance.

Zoning Ordinance: Sec.4.B.4. b for side yard setback and Sec. 2F4 for a back yard setback.

It was moved by Todd Volker and seconded by Steve Walsh that all the standards A thru E of Section 18 Part G number 3 were read and discussed by the board and the board recommends to the City Council to approve the request for the variance. Motion Passed.

II

The South 5 feet of Lot 1 and all of Lot 2 in Block 2 in Railroad Addition, in the City of Ottawa, LaSalle County, Illinois, commonly known as 1749 Guion Street owned by Ron and Deborah Schunke, for the purpose of request for a setback variance to build an addition.

The Chairmen asked if there was anyone present to speak on the ordinance.

Mr. Ron Schunke appeared before the Board to request a front yard setback to build a porch on the front of his house. The porch would be 5 ft in depth and 8 ft long at the front, East side, of the house.

Chairman asked if there was anyone present to oppose the appeal. No one appeared before the Board in opposition.

The Board members discussed the ordinance and the variance.

Zoning Ordinance: Sect. 4.B. 4.a for a front yard setback.

It was moved by Jim Conness and seconded by Steve Walsh that all the standards A thru E of Section 18 Part G number 3 were read and discussed by the board and the board recommends to the City Council to approve the request for the variance. Motion Passed.

III

The North half of Lot 15 in Block 7 in Highland Addition, in the City of Ottawa, LaSalle County, Illinois, commonly known as 420 Third Avenue owned by Brian Moline, for the purpose of request for a side yard setback variance to build a garage.

The Chairmen asked if there was anyone present to speak on the ordinance.

Mr. Brian Moline appeared before the Board to request a side yard setback to build a 16 ft by 24 ft garage in his back yard. The garage would require a variance for the North side property line being 4 ft from the garage.

Chairman asked if there was anyone present to oppose the appeal. No one appeared before the Board in opposition.

The Board members discussed the ordinance and the variance.

Zoning Ordinance: Sect. 4.B.4.c for a side yard setback.

It was moved by Steve Walsh and seconded by Todd Volker that all the standards A thru E of Section 18 Part G number 3 were read and discussed by the board and the board recommends to the City Council to approve the request for the variance. Motion Passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Conness
Recording Secretary
Zoning Board of Appeals