



BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Minutes December 16, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by Chairperson Wes Sharp and on roll call the following members were present:

Wes Sharp
Bill Mettee
Rene Soldwisch
Amy Mitchell
James Sullivan

Members not present:

Staff Present: Charlie Dissell, Cortney Marmon

Public Present: Dallas Hoover 600 Brookwood Drive Indianola, IA 50125

The agenda of the December 16th, 2020 meeting was approved on a motion by Bill Mettee and seconded by Amy Mitchell. On voice vote: All ayes.

Consider request from Dallas Hoover for a variance under the terms of Section 165.35 (3) of the Code of Ordinances of Indianola, Iowa, to permit the existing placement of an accessory structure at 600 Brookwood Dr, to which if allowed as requested, would not be in conformity with the requirements of Section 165.10 (2) of the Code of Ordinances of Indianola, Iowa. A variance is requested to allow the existing shed to remain in the side yard.

Dallas Hoover provided an overview of the project.

Amy Mitchell asked how Charlie Dissell interpreted the Code.

Charlie Dissell provided a breakdown of the interpretation of the Code.

Wes Sharp asked if the set back if from the road.

Charlie Dissell said yes.

Wes Sharp said that when you have a corner lot you have two front yard setbacks and building something in the side yard is visually unappealing.

Dallas Hoover said that where the shed is located has been leveled out by 4 feet and if it moved it will raise it 8 feet.

Charlie Dissell said most cities will identify corner lots as two front yards but that will be getting updated. He also said that 6.14 of the Admin Code has more to do with the State and not the City. He could be wrong but that's the way it read.

Dallas Hoover said he did all he could to make it appealing and that there are other sheds in violation, but he is the one being singled out.

Wes Sharp told Dallas Hoover we were not trying to single him out that there are different sheds in different areas with different variances and hardships.

Bill Mettee said the fence was a good buffer for the shed.

Tim agreed that the fence would be a good buffer if the shed were smaller.

James Sullivan asked if Dallas had considered attaching the shed to the garage.

Tim Little said that was an option

Dallas Hoover said that would make the house look unbalanced.

Motion was made by Board Member James Sullivan to approve the request from Dallas Hoover for a variance under the terms of Section 165.35 (3) of the Code of Ordinances of Indianola, Iowa, to permit the existing placement of an accessory structure at 600 Brookwood Dr, to which if allowed as requested, would not be in conformity with the requirements of Section 165.10 (2) of the Code of Ordinances of Indianola, Iowa.

This motion was seconded by Board Member Amy Mitchell. On voice vote: Bill Mette and Rene Soldwisch, ayes. Amy Mitchell and Wes Sharp, James Sullivan nay. Motion did not pass.

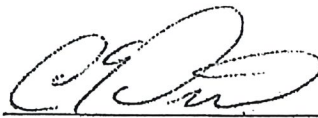
Comments: Charlie Dissell discussed including finding of facts documents in agenda items.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Rene Soldwisch seconded by Amy Mitchell. On voice vote: All ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm

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Wes Sharp, Chairperson

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Charlie E. Dissell