

CITY OF DECORAH
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
Minutes of May 8, 2019

Sue Sander called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. and the following answered roll: Kraig Tweed, John Jenkins, Carol Hagen, and Janelle Pavlovec.

Also in attendance: Zoning Administrator Chad Bird.

Approval of Minutes of the April 3, 2019 meeting

Tweed moved and Pavlovec seconded a motion to approve the minutes of April 3, 2019.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Tweed, Pavlovec, Sander, Hagen. Abstain: John Jenkins.

Motion was approved.

Todd Ihde for 505 Hillcrest Drive requesting permission to construct a garage addition contrary to the R-2 Zoning District regulations. (*section 17.120.040*)

Ihde was present and reviewed his application. He is proposing to add to the existing garage and encroach into the side-yard setback to 2 feet 6 inches. The required side-yard is 10 feet. He noted the addition is proposed to be 13 feet. Tweed asked for clarification on the final proposed setback and garage addition. Ihde restated the garage addition at 13 feet leaving the 2 feet 6 inches for the side-yard setback.

Sander asked if there were any comments from the public and there were none and she closed the public hearing.

Hagen moved and Jenkins seconded a motion to approve Todd Ihde's application for a variance from the side-yard setback requirement to 2 feet 6 inches for the construction of a garage addition.

Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.

Kris Smith for 719 Decorah Avenue requesting permission to construct a fence contrary to the R-3 Zoning District regulations. (*section 17.68.030*)

Kris Smith presented information relative to her application. She noted she is proposing to install a five-foot high fence contrary to the maximum allowed four-foot high fence for the side-yard, along street right-of-way.

Bird referenced the zoning code regarding this matter and noted the enforcement of the four-foot height is duo to the property being a corner lot.

Sander asked if there were any comments from the public and there were none and she closed the public hearing.

Jenkins moved and Tweed seconded a motion to approve Kris Smith's application for a variance from the side-yard and rear-yard height restrictions for a five-foot high fence.

Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.

Charolette Aswegan for 107 Julian Street requesting permission to replace a front porch contrary to the R-3 Zoning District regulations. (section 17.076.040)

Bird noted the applicant had pulled the application after publication but before the meeting.

Other Business:

*The board discussed holding the next meeting on **Monday, June 3rd, 2019 at 4:30pm** pending the number of applications with Bird noting this is a city council night so timing would be critical to ensure the meeting is completed before the City Council meeting begins.*

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:27pm.

Respectfully submitted,

