

# **Minutes**

Planning and Zoning Commission 20 Second Avenue SW, Oelwein July 18, 2022 - 5:30 PM

# **Roll Call**

Present: Dejong, Boleyn, Sherrets, Tousley

Also Present: Mulfinger, Kral

### **Approve Minutes**

1. Consideration of a motion to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2022, meeting.

Dejong motioned to approve the minutes, Sherrets seconded. All voted in favor.

# Variance Requests

# **Old Business**

2. Discussion on reallocation of square footage allowances for accessory structures.

Boleyn presented his own plan and did not agree with the current proposal.

Mulfinger said that staff could put all proposals into a document and provide examples in time for the next meeting.

Dejong motioned to table the recommendation to council to the next meeting, Sherrets seconded. All voted in favor.

3. Discussion on allowing accessory structures on empty lots, placement required to permit construction of a principal structure in the future, hard surface requirements, and more.

Boleyn presented his own plan and did not agree with the current proposal. Boleyn wanted to see larger accessory structures so that they were taxed.

Dejong wanted to see more examples from staff.

Boleyn motioned to table the recommendation to council to the next meeting, Dejong seconded. All voted in favor.

4. Discussion on using the narrow side of a lot as the front property line of corner lots.

Boleyn did not agree with making a change from 60-foot setbacks for accessory structures and thought that 35 feet should be the standard.

Mulfinger said that the changes should help side yard properties and not hurt their chances of expanding.

Dejong motioned to table the recommendation to council to the next meeting, Boleyn seconded. All voted in favor.

5. Discussion on permitting the use of ag steel as siding in buildings larger than 10' x 10'.

The group discussed that metal siding has come a long way since the old barn tin. No discussion was placed requiring a lower level to be different color in case it need replaced. No discussion on horizontal versus vertical metal siding.

Dejong motioned to recommend changing the ordinance to allow for metal siding on residential structures to city council, Boleyn seconded. All voted in favor.

New Business Adjournment