



Le Sueur County, MN

Thursday, May 19, 2016

Regular Session

Item 1

Approved May 19, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Staff Contact: Kathy Brockway or Michelle Mettler

**LE SUEUR COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
88 SOUTH PARK AVE.
LE CENTER, MINNESOTA 56057
May 19, 2016**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeanne Doheny, Jim Mladek, John Wolf, Francis Cummins

MEMBERS ABSENT: Colin Harris

OTHERS PRESENT: Michelle R. Mettler

ITEM #1: RUSSELL BRIX, CLEVELAND, MN (APPLICANT/OWNER): Requests that the County grant a Variance from the Le Sueur County Zoning Ordinance to allow the applicant to construct a 10 x 18 four-season porch & a 10 x 12 deck 47 feet from the Ordinary High Water Level (OHWL) & create impervious surface within the shore impact zone in a Recreational Residential "RR" District, on a Recreational Development "RD" lake, Lake Jefferson. Property is located at Lot 20, Jefferson Highlands, Section 2, Cleveland Township. **VARIANCE IS FOR OHWL SETBACK AND IMPERVIOUS SURFACE.**

Russell Brix was present for application. Township: None. DNR: None. Letters submitted: Josh Mankowski, Le Sueur County Environmental Resource Specialist.

Discussion was held regarding replacing 10 x 18 porch and adding 10 x 12 deck. Deck construction will be a step down from the porch. Cedar flooring. Creating additional impervious surface within the shore impact zone with the deck that wasn't there before. Deck is sitting area. Impervious surface within the shore impact zone. Can build a deck to meet setbacks and be out of the shore impact zone.

Motion was made by Jim Mladek to table the application so applicant can come back at next meeting with a revised plan, can check with contractor for other ways of reducing impervious surface for the deck. Motion failed for a lack of a second.

Motion was made by John Wolf to approve only the proposed porch portion of the application. Conditions: Deck portion of the variance request denied, can bring into compliance. Meet conditions of Environmental Resource Specialist, no deck and work with Josh Mankowski to install an approved BMP to mitigate the impervious surface within the shore impact zone. Seconded by Francis Cummins. Motion approved. Motion carried.

ITEM #2: THOMAS VEILLEUX & DEBRA TAYLOR, MADISON LAKE, MN, (APPLICANT/OWNER): Request that the County grant a Variance from the Le Sueur County Zoning Ordinance to allow the applicant to construct a dwelling addition 41 feet from the road Right-Of-Way (ROW) and a total of 25.5% impervious surface in a Recreational Residential "RR" District, on a Recreational Development "RD" lake, Lake Washington. Property is located at Lot 3, Block 4, Connors Point Subdivision, Section 17, Washington Township. **VARIANCE IS FOR ROAD ROW SETBACK & IMPERVIOUS SURFACE.**

Tom Veilleux and Debra Taylor were present for application. Township: In favor of the proposal. DNR: None. Letters submitted: Josh Mankowski, Le Sueur County Environmental Resource Specialist.

Discussion was held regarding: Bought house 4 years ago, beautiful lot with a small house, currently a 2 bedroom dwelling, didn't want to build up and didn't want to build closer to the lake. Removing impervious surface, reduced total impervious, less impervious surface with the proposal than currently have. Dealing with runoff with rain garden and/or rain barrel. Timeframe summer or fall.

Motion was made by Jim Mladek to approve application. Conditions: Proposed removal of impervious surfaces; meet requirements of Environmental Resource Specialist, to install rain garden(s) and/or rain barrel(s). Seconded by John Wolf. Motion approved. Motion carried.

ITEM #3: RAY & BEVERLY THORN, NORTH MANKATO, MN, (APPLICANT/OWNER):
Request that the County grant a Variance from the Le Sueur County Zoning Ordinance to allow the applicant to install a holding tank 6 feet from the road Right-Of-Way (ROW) and 8 feet from the dwelling in a Recreational Residential "RR" District on a Recreational Development "RD" lake, Lake Jefferson. Property is located at Lot 30, French Addition & Lot 27, Auditor Subdivision of Government Lot 1, Section 6, Elysian Township. **VARIANCE IS FOR ROAD ROW & DWELLING SETBACKS.**

Ray Thorn was present for application. Township: None. DNR: None. Letters submitted: None.

Discussion was held regarding: Well too close for the holding tank to be on the other side of road. Will bring septic into compliance, three parties use well, currently have leachfield. Holding tank last option.

Motion was made by Jim Mladek to approve the application. Conditions: None. Seconded by Francis Cummins. Motion approved. Motion carried.

Minutes: Additions or corrections-None. Motion to approve minutes by Jim Mladek. Seconded by John Wolf. Motion approved. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Jim Mladek. Seconded by John Wolf. Motion approved. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned.
Respectfully submitted,
Michelle R. Mettler

Approved June 16, 2016

*Tape of meeting is on file in the
Le Sueur County Environmental Services Office*