### LE SUEUR COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT 88 SOUTH PARK AVE. LE CENTER, MINNESOTA 56057 (507) 357-8538

### TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD

**DATE:** OCTOBER 16, 2014

**TIME:** 3:00 PM

PLACE: ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES BUILDING, 515 SOUTH MAPLE, LE CENTER MN 56057

PURPOSE: To hear testimony from interested parties and consider Variance Applications as provided by the Zoning

Ordinance of Le Sueur County as described below:

ITEM #1 Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustment Notice of Public Hearing

ITEM #2 Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustment Agenda

ITEM #3 Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustment Packets

ITEM #4 Draft Minutes

INFORMATION AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW AT THE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT APPLICANT OR REPRESENTATIVE MUST BE PRESENT IN ORDER FOR THE APPLICATION TO BE HEARD.

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KATHY BROCKWAY, LE SUEUR COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING ADMINISTRATOR MICHELLE R. METTLER, ASSISTANT PLANNING & ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

# Le Sueur County, MN

Thursday, October 16, 2014 Regular Session

### Item 1

Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustment Notice of Public Hearing

**Staff Contact: Kathy Brockway or Michelle Mettler** 

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DATE: **OCTOBER 16, 2014** 

TIME: 3:00 PM

PLACE: Le Sueur County Environmental Services, 515 South Maple Ave, Le Center, MN.

**PURPOSE:** To hear testimony from interested parties and consider Variance and Appeal Applications, as provided by the

Zoning Ordinance of Le Sueur County, as described below.

Applications are available for review at the Environmental Services Building during normal business hours

and on the website on or after OCTOBER 8, 2014.

**ITEM #1:** RONALD & DOROTHY JACOBSON, (APPLICANT/OWNER): Request that the County grant a Variance from the Le Sueur County Zoning Ordinance to allow the applicant to enlarge a non-conforming structure 8 feet from the road Right-Of-Way (ROW), lot size, and 36.3% impervious surface in a Recreational Residential "RR" District on a Recreational Development "RD" lake, Lake Washington. Property is located at Lot 2, Sportsmen's Haven, Section 13, Kasota Township. VARIANCE IS FOR ENLARGING A NON-CONFORMING STRUCTURE, ROAD ROW SETBACK, LOT SIZE AND IMPERVIOUS SURFACE.

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# Thursday, October 16, 2014 Regular Session

### Item 1

**Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustment Agenda** 

**Staff Contact: Kathy Brockway or Michelle Mettler** 

# LE SUEUR COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

### **MEETING AGENDA**

**Meeting Date:** October 16, 2014

**Meeting Time:** 3:00 pm

Onsite Date: October 16, 2014

**Onsite Time:** 2:00 pm

**ITEM #1:** Ronald & Dorothy Jacobson

**Discussion Items:** Minutes

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**Board of Adjustment Hearing Procedure:** The Chairman calls the meeting to order, then calls the item to be heard and asks the Applicant or representative present to come to the podium to answer any questions or present any comments. The Chairman opens the meeting to the public. Each speaker comes to the podium and states their name for the record prior to making a statement or posing a question. All questions or comments are to be directed *to the board*, *NOT THE APPLICANT*. After the public comments the Board of Adjustment publicly discusses the information and reviews the findings before making a motion. All meetings are recorded.

# Le Sueur County, MN

# Thursday, October 16, 2014 Regular Session

### Item 1

**Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustment Packets** 

**Staff Contact: Kathy Brockway or Michelle Mettler** 

# VARIANCE STAFF REPORT

**GENERAL INFORMATION** 

APPLICANT/OWNER:

Ronald & Dorothy Jacobson

911 ADDRESS:

2134 Limberdink Rd, Kasota, MN

VARIANCE REQUEST:

To allow the applicant to enlarge a non-conforming structure 8 feet from the road Right-Of-

Way (ROW), variance for lot size, and 36.3% impervious surface.

VARIANCE NUMBER:

14207

PARCEL NUMBER:

05.700.0030

### SITE INFORMATION

LOCATION:

Lot 2, Sportsmen's Haven, Section 13, Kasota Township

ZONING & PURPOSE:

Recreational Residential

The intent of the Recreational Residential (RR) District is to preserve areas which have natural characteristics suitable for both passive and active recreational usage. Also, it is the intent of this district to manage areas suitable for residential development of varying types, including permanent and seasonal housing. Some non-residential uses with minimal impacts on residential uses are allowed if properly managed under conditional use procedures.

GENERAL SITE

DESCRIPTION:

Shoreland, residential, wetland

ACCESS:

Existing off Limberdink Rd

LAKE:

Lake Washington, Recreational Development Lake

Recreational Development Lake - Lakes that usually have between sixty (60) and two hundred twenty five (225) acres of water per mile of shoreline, between three (3) and twenty five (25) dwellings per mile of shoreline, and are more than fifteen (15) feet deep.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Application, Written Detail of Request, Survey, Surveyor Certification, Aerial photo, Findings of Fact, Lauren Klement Letter

### STAFF FINDINGS

### Staff findings per Le Sueur County Ordinance, the following findings have been developed for this request:

1.	Variance: a. Structure to road ROW:	Request: 8 feet	Required: 65 feet	Ordinance: Section 13.2, Subdiv.5.A.	Page: 13-43
	b. Non-conf lot size:	9464 sq ft Area 60.65 ft Width 151.5 ft Depth	40,000 sq ft Area 150 Width 260 Depth	Section 13.2, Subdiv. 5.J.2.a. "	13-47
	c. Impervious surface:	36.3%	25 % max	Section 13.2, Subdiv. 5.J.3	13-48
	d. Non-conf structure:	Enlarge	Shall not enlarge	Section 24, Subdiv. 1.B	24-1

### 2. Definitions:

**NONCONFORMITY** - Any legal use, structure or parcel of land already in existence, recorded, or authorized before the adoption of official controls or amendments thereto that would not have been permitted to become established under the terms of the official controls as now written, if the official controls had been in effect prior to the date it was established, recorded or authorized.

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NONCONFORMING LOT - Any lot that does not meet the zoning district regulations for minimum lot width, lot depth and/or lot size.

NONCONFORMING STRUCTURE - Any structure that does not meet zoning district regulations for structure size, structure height, lot coverage, or setback.

<u>NONCONFORMING STRUCTURE, EXPANSION</u> - Any expansion of a structure that does not meet zoning district regulations for building size, structure height, lot coverage, or setback.

### 3. Refer to DNR Guidance Letters:

a.	The Role of the Variances in Shoreland Management Ordinances	pg. 9
b.	Limiting Impervious Surface	pg. 15
c.	Non-conforming Lots of Record in Shoreland Areas	pg. 19 pg. 19
d.	Structure Setback Requirements	pg. 21

- 4. Variances shall only be permitted when they are in harmony with the general purposes and intent of the official controls and are consistent with the comprehensive plan.
- 5. A Variance may be granted only where the strict enforcement of the official controls will result in a practical difficulty.
- 6. It is the responsibility of the applicant and/or landowner to prove evidence that a practical difficulty exists.
- 7. A determination that a practical difficulty exists upon the consideration of the findings of fact.

### CONSIDERATIONS

- 1. The following shall be considered at the hearing:
  - a. There are special circumstances or conditions affecting the land, structures or use referred to in the Variance.
  - b. The granting of the application will not be a detriment to the public health, safety, and general welfare or injurious to property or improvements in the area adjacent to the property of the applicant/landowner.
  - c. Consider sewage treatment and water supply capabilities or constraints of the lot and shall deny the variance if adequate facilities cannot be provided.

### 2. Additional Considerations:

- a. A Variance was granted in 2002 for the attached garage to be constructed 13 feet from the road ROW. (This was prior to the requirement of surveys for accuracy).
- b. Reducing impervious surface.

### CONDITIONS

- 1. In granting any Variance, the Board of Adjustment may designate such conditions in connection that will secure substantially the objectives of the Ordinance, regulation or provision to which the application is granted.
- Conditions must be directly related to and bear a rough proportionally to the impact created by the Variance.
- 3. If approved, construction must be completed prior to the Variance expiration, Section 22; Subdivision 7.
- 4. If approved, a zoning permit must be purchased prior to starting construction, Section 26.
- 5. Extension must be requested 30 days prior to Variance expiration, Section 22; Subdivision 7.

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# LE SUEUR COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

88 SOUTH PARK AVENUE LE CENTER MN 56057

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BUILDING SITE MUST BE STAKED OUT THE MONDAY PRIOR TO THE MEETING OR THE APPLICATION WILL BE TABLED.

### VARIANCE FINDINGS OF FACT

Name of Applicant: RONALD & DOROTHY JACOBSON Variance # 14207

Variance Request: TO ALLOW THE APPLICANT TO CONSTRUCT ... . NON-CONFORMING STRUCTURE 8 FEET FROM THE ROAD ROW, LOT SIZE, AND 36.3% IMPERVIOUS SURFACE.

- A. No Variance may be granted that would allow any use that is prohibited in the Zoning District in which the subject property is located.
- B. Facts supporting the answer to each question must be documented below, and are hereby certified to be the Findings of Fact of the Board of Adjustment.
- C. A Variance may be granted only where the strict enforcement of the official control will result in a practical difficulty.
- D. It is the responsibility of the applicant / landowner to prove evidence that a practical difficulty exists.
- E. A determination that a practical difficulty exists upon the consideration of the following criteria.

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# Lauren Klement Le Sueur County Environmental Services 88 South Park Avenue Le Center MN 56057-1600

October 6, 2014

To: Le Sueur County Board of Adjustment; Kathy Brockway, Michelle Mettler

From: Lauren Klement, Environmental Resources Specialist

Re: Ronald and Dorothy Jacobson

Property: Lot 2, Sportsmen's Haven, Section 13, Kasota Twp

Request: Enlarging a non-conforming structure, ROW, Lot size and impervious surface.

**Discussion**: This is another difficult site on Limberdink with a very small lot. Again, I have to say that my job is to follow as closely to the shoreland ordinance as possible.

I spoke on the phone with Mr. Jacobson and we met in person in the office. I reviewed this parcel. The points I brought up were addressing runoff. The Jacobson's have already addressed runoff with gutters that drain to gardens. I did not discuss options of reducing the impervious surface with Mr. Jacobson, we reviewed it together. It looks like new cement. But if it were to be reduced; if the cement driveway/sidewalk and the two paver areas were replaced with pervious pavers this would reduce the impervious surface to approximately 29%. If the pavers and the sidewalk were replaced with pervious pavers, the impervious surface would be reduced to 34%.

We discussed the Jacobson's shoreline. During a variance request, this is the time to make improvements to the shoreline. The Limberdink neighborhood has cleared the shoreline of vegetation and the majority of the parcels appear to be mowed practically to the water's edge. Mr. Jacobson said he did not want his shoreline to be different than his neighbors and he wanted to see the lake. Mr. Jacobson then said that he would plant two tiger lily plants along his retaining wall above the shoreline. I would like to see more vegetation than two plants and I would like to see shrubbery added to the lilies that cannot be mowed down.

If this project is approved there are two conditions I recommend:

- 1. Plant 4 tiger lily plants and three shrubs near the shoreline.
- 2. Determine if reducing impervious surface is possible.

# Le Sueur County

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II.	Land Owner (s), if different from a	bove:		
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	KASOTA Towns (Township Name)			<i>⇔</i>
·	Board Member <u>Toe Kiensen</u> (Name)	regarding the propos	sed request.	

### VI. Quantities and Submittal Formats:

- a. One (1) reproducible 8.5" x 11" copy of the request and all other supporting documents.
- b. Ten (10) copies must be submitted, if in <u>color</u>, an <u>aerial</u>, or <u>larger than 8.5" x 11" in size</u>,
- c. Electronic version of any supporting documents if available.
- d. Additional copies may be requested as deemed necessary by the Department.
- e. Application must be made in person by the applicant and/or landowner no later than 12 P.M. on the date of application deadline. **Appointment is necessary**.
- f. All required information must be correct and submitted <u>at the time of application</u>, or the application will not be accepted.
- g. Applications will not be accepted by mail.

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Impervious Surface -- Itemized current & proposed with total percentages (If in Shoreland)

• Location of significant trees to be removed (If in Shoreland)

• Note how disturbed areas will be restored (If in Shoreland)

• Landscape, screening and buffering (If applicable)

Building site shall be physically staked by the surveyor or the application will be tabled.

### VIII. Attachments shall include but not limited to:

a. Site Plan-survey	র্ভিৎ Floor plans and/or blue prints (For structures)
b. Full legal description	Septic System Compliance Inspection LV WI
──c. Access approval	-⊟g. Erosion control plan
Surveyor Certification	্রিন, Written Detail of Variance

### IX. Fee: Must be paid at the time of application.

Variance: \$ 600 After-The-Fact meeting fees are <u>doubled</u>. Filing Fee: \$ 46

Additional Fees:

Special Meeting: \$1,200

After-The-Fact Penalty: \$1,500 OR 10% of the improvement, whichever is greater.

### X. Procedure:

The Board of Adjustment shall hold a public hearing on the proposed Variance at a regularly scheduled Board of Adjustment meeting.

The Board of Adjustment has the authority to determine Variance approval or denial.

The Planning & Zoning Administrator shall notify the applicant and/or landowner in writing of the Board of Adjustment decision.

A zoning permit is required prior to starting construction; however zoning permits will not be available the day of the Board of Adjustment meeting.

# XI. Variances shall only be permitted when they are in harmony with the general purposes and intent of the official controls and are consistent with the comprehensive plan.

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Signatures:

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Land Owner signature

9-73-14

OFFICE USE ONLY Date received 9-23-14 Present Zoning Classification \_ Feedlot within 500' 1000' Meeting date 10-16-14 Lake Classification Erosion Control Plan 60 Day 11-21-14 Water courses FEMA Panel # 270190000 Flood Zone ☑ Surveyor Certificate Ordinance CI / DESIGN ☑'Site Plan -survey □-Aecess approval ATF / SPEC MTG ✓☐ Full legal یٰٰٰٰٰٰٰ Blue Prints □ Other 42 Application complete 

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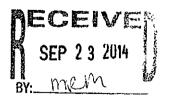
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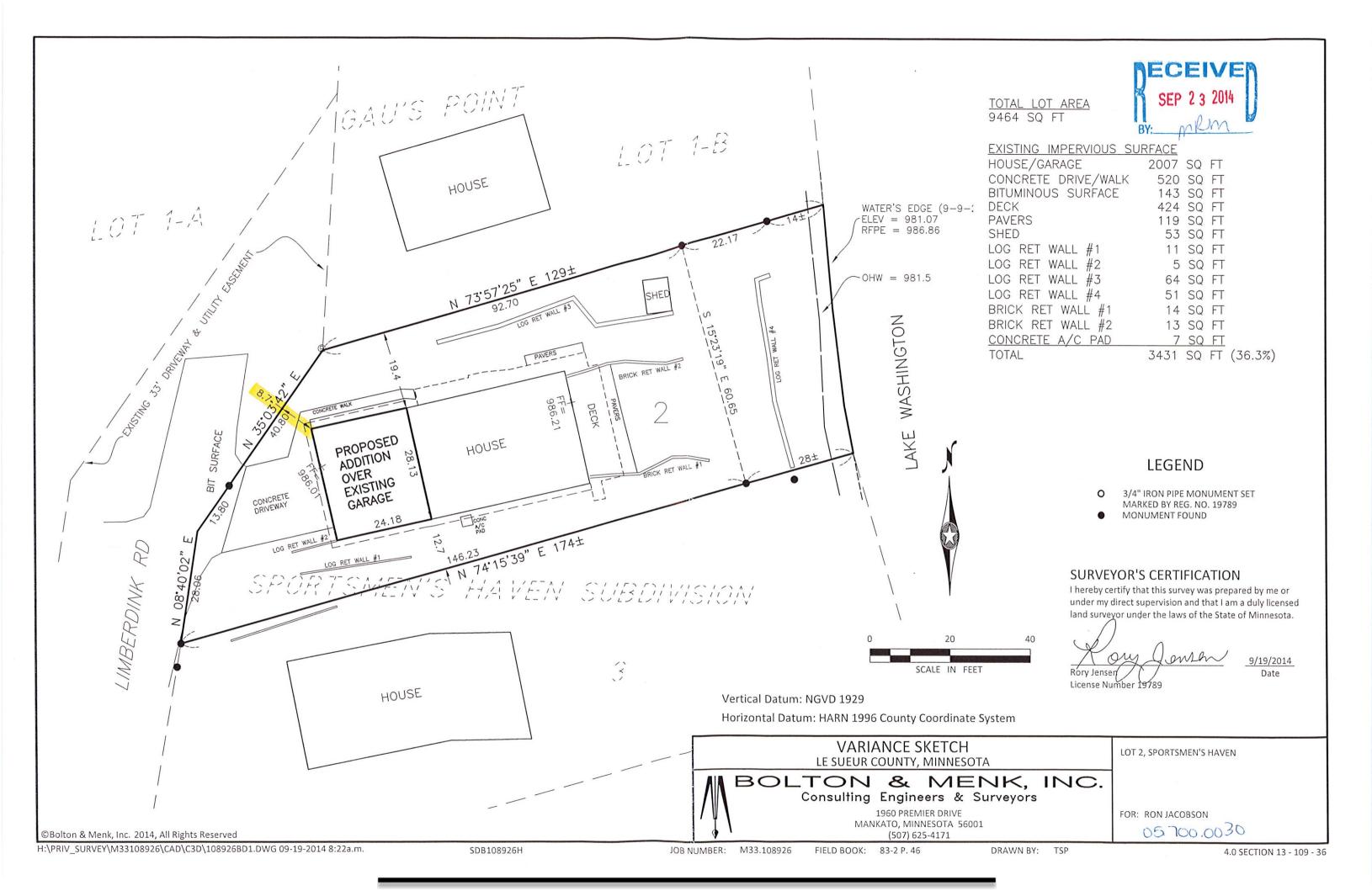
We are requesting a variance to allow us to enlarge a non-conforming structure (home) on lakeshore property which we have owned since 1991. The structure does not conform to present land use regulation because it is too close to Limberdink Road on a too small lot. The setback from the road and lot size required a variance when the home was built in 2002.

We have decided to occupy this home on a full-time basis and have sold our main home. We need more living area for our family visitations and with our advancing age would like to add a bathroom with handicap facilities as will as to have laundry facilities on the main floor.

The variance we request will allow these changes in the existing structure without requiring any change in land use, drainage, or character of the locality.

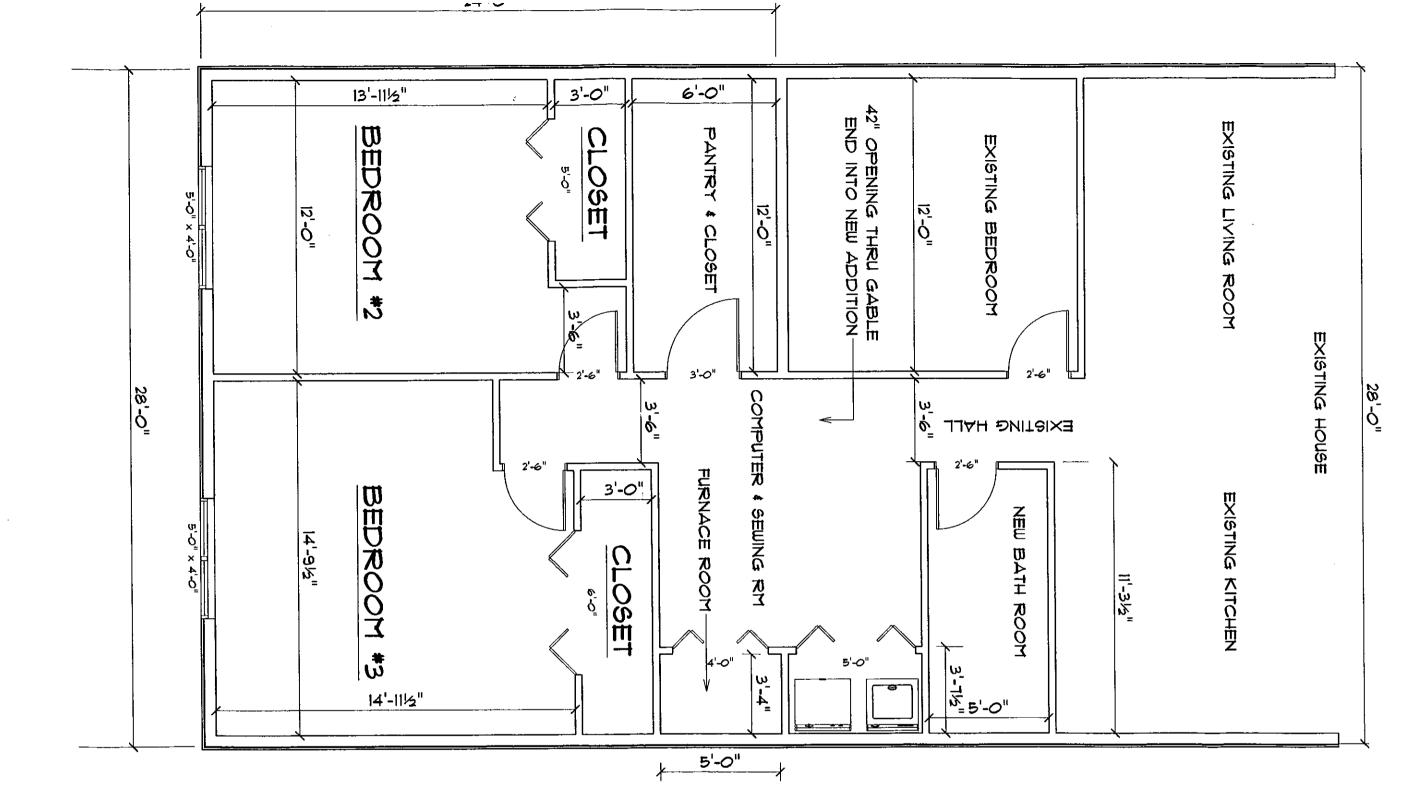
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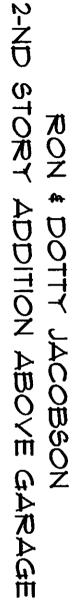




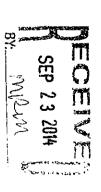
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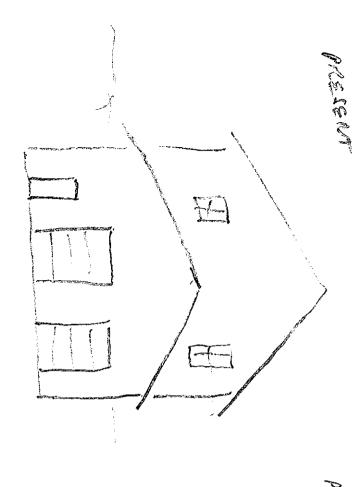
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11.	Property Owner (s), if different from above:  Name Property Address
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IV.	<ul> <li>Quantities and Submittal Formats:</li> <li>a. One reproducible 8.5" x 11" copy of the request and all other supporting documents.</li> <li>b. If in <u>color</u>, an <u>aerial</u>, or <u>larger than 8.5" x 11" in size</u>, 10 copies must be submitted.</li> <li>c. Electronic version of any supporting documents, if available.</li> <li>d. Additional copies may be requested as deemed necessary by the Planning &amp; Zoning Department.</li> <li>e. All required information must be correct and submitted <u>at the time of application</u>, or the application will not be accepted.</li> </ul>
٧.	Site Plan-must be a survey:
	BUILDING SITE SHALL BE PHYSICALLY STAKED BY THE SURVEYOR OR THE APPLICATION WILL BE TABLED. Site plan shall include but not limited to:  North point Iskes Setbacks Invers Proposed structures (within and adjacent to project area) Invers Proposed structures Proposed
VI.	The proposed improvements have been physically staked onsite then surveyed on $\frac{9/9/2014}{2014}$ to reflect an accurate account of current and proposed conditions of the property identified above.
VII.	Signatures:
	I hereby certify with my signature that all data contained herein as well as all supporting data are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.    Cy
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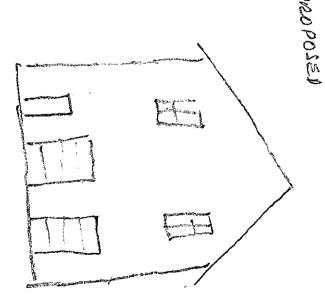




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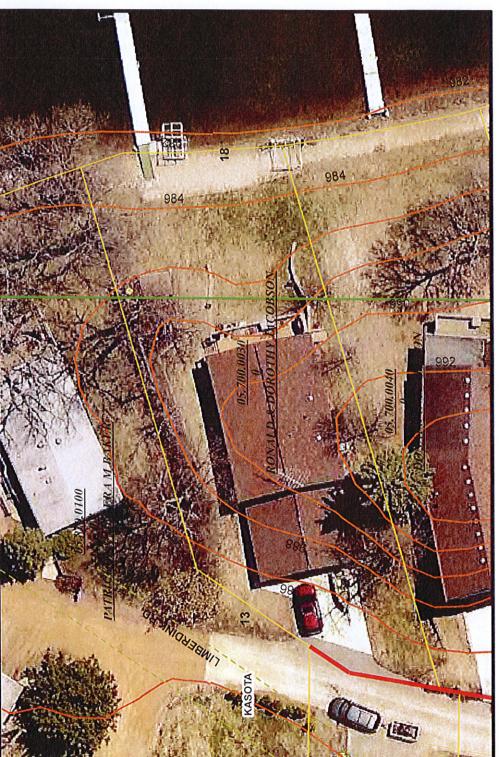
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# Le Sueur County, MN

# Thursday, October 16, 2014 Regular Session

Item 1

**Draft 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 October 16, 2014

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Colin Harris

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Kathy Brockway, Commissioner Connolly.

The meeting was called to order at 3 PM by chairperson, Jeanne Doheny.

ITEM #1: RONALD & DOROTHY JACOBSON, (APPLICANT/OWNER): Request that the County grant a Variance from the Le Sueur County Zoning Ordinance to allow the applicant to enlarge a non-conforming structure 8 feet from the road Right-Of-Way (ROW), lot size, and 36.3% impervious surface in a Recreational Residential "RR" District on a Recreational Development "RD" lake, Lake Washington. Property is located at Lot 2, Sportsmen's Haven, Section 13, Kasota Township. VARIANCE IS FOR ENLARGING A NON-CONFORMING STRUCTURE, ROAD ROW SETBACK, LOT SIZE AND IMPERVIOUS SURFACE.

Ronald and Dorothy Jacobson were present for application. Township: No comments, applicants notified the township per the application requirements. DNR: No comments. Letters submitted: Lauren Klement, Le Sueur County Resource Specialist (see file). PUBLIC COMMENT: No comments

Discussion was held regarding: applicant's are proposing to construct an addition over the existing garage, no closer to the road right of way than the current structure, year round dwelling, timeframe for project, as soon as possible, plantings, bedroom, bathroom and laundry room facilities, handicap accessible due to health issues, reduction in impervious surface, rain garden, planted over 20 day lilies, will plant shrubs per Lauren's suggestions, will work on reducing impervious surface, possible ramp in the future will make it pervious, talked with representatives from the Lake Washington Sewer District.

Motion was made by Jim Mladek to approve the application with the conditions as stated in Lauren Klement's letter (see attached). Seconded by John Wolf. Motion approved. Motion carried.

The following findings were adopted:

The Variance is reasonable.

The alleged practical difficulty is unique to the property.

The circumstances causing the practical difficulty were created by someone other than the landowner.

The issuance of the Variance will maintain the essential character of the locality.

The alleged practical difficulty involves more than economic considerations.

The Variance is consistent with and supported by the statement of purposes, policies, goals and objectives in the Ordinance.

The Variance is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.

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

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

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Brockway October 16, 2014

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