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SCOTT COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MINUTES

Tuesday, February 24, 2021
Virtual Only
5:00 P.M.

Board Members present: Madden, Scheibe, Kyllo, Dittmer, Jordahl

All Commissioners participated virtually.

Staff: Tim Huey, Taylor Beswick

Applicants: Jamie Siefers, Derick Siefers

Public: none

*Meeting was conducted only via Webex/teleconference

1. Call to Order

Chair Scheibe called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M.

2. Minutes: Approval of the June 24, 2020 meeting minutes.

Madden motioned a vote to approve the minutes as presented. **Jordahl** seconded.

Vote: All Ayes (5-0). Minutes approved.

3. Election of 2021 Officers

Dittmer made a motion to reelect **Scheibe** as Chair. **Madden** seconded. **Vote: 5-0. Scheibe elected as 2021 Chair.**

Madden made a motion to elect **Dittmer** as Vice Chair. **Scheibe** seconded. **Vote: 5-0. Dittmer elected as 2021 Vice Chair.**

4. Public Hearing - Variance

Variance application from **Derrick Siefers** for a side yard setback of 5 (five) feet in lieu of the 10 (ten) feet as prescribed in the Scott County Zoning Ordinance. The side yard setback variance request is being requested for a proposed attached garage addition. The applicant is applying for the variance at 16901 206th Street, Davenport legally described as part of the

 $SE^{1}/4SE^{1}/4NE^{1}/4$ of section 35 in Sheridan Township (Parcel # 933523010). The 0.87 acre lot is currently zoned Single-Family Residential (R-1) and contains one (1) single-family dwelling and one (1) accessory building/garage. The applicant cites the location of a septic field as hardship and reason for requesting the variance.

Chair Scheibe introduced the item and asked for the Staff's review.

Beswick presented the context and summary of the variance request.

Chair Scheibe asked for any comment from the applicant. He had nothing to add.

Chair Scheibe asked for any comment from the public, there was none present.

Chair Scheibe asked for the staff's recommendation.

Staff would recommend the five (5) foot variance to the front-yard setback requirements be **denied**.

This recommendation is based on staff's determination of a lack of hardship or exceptional conditions that would merit approval of this variance and would appear to merely serve as a convenience for the applicant.

Chair Scheibe asked the applicant for any comment on the staff recommendation. Jaimie Siefers discussed the accuracy of the septic plans on file with the Health Department. Dittmer asked the applicant why he could not build the garage in an alternate location. This was discussed further.

Dittmer made a motion to deny the variance request based on a lack of hardship, per staff's recommendation. **Scheibe** seconded.

Vote: Denied (5-0). Variance denied.

5. Other business: Additional comments or issues to discuss (Commission members) / Opportunity for public comments

None

6. Adjournment. Meeting was adjourned with a motion and a second at 5:30 P.M.