



**ITASCA COUNTY
PLANNING COMMISSION/BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

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Wednesday, 10/9/2024

11:30 A.M.

Itasca County Boardroom

The regular meeting of the Itasca County Planning Commission/Board of Adjustment (PC/BoA) was held on Wednesday, 10/9/2024, at 11:30 a.m.* in the County Board Room of the Courthouse with the following in attendance:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lisa Maasch, Richard Kortekaas, Dan Butterfield, Mike Bellomy, Mike Oja;

ABSENT: None;

EXOFFICIO: Environmental Services Director (ESD) Katie Benes,

GUESTS: Paul Venne (via phone); Gary Tonneslan; Scott Stoltenberg;

*Members met at the Courthouse at 8:30 a.m. to view the properties and then returned to the Courthouse to hold the meeting.

Chair Maasch called the Planning Commission/Board of Adjustment meeting to order, opening with the Pledge of Allegiance. Copies of the agenda and opening statement were available for the audience.

Agenda. There were no corrections/additions.

Minutes. Upon the motion of Butterfield/Oja, which carried unanimously, the minutes of the 9/11/2024 hearing were approved as distributed.

Paul & Sandra Venne/Variance—(Lots 27, 28, 29, 30, Urika Beach, Section 23, Harris Township 54-25, Parcel #19-600-0270, 19-600-0280, 19-600-0290, 19-600-0300) — submitted an application for variance from Sections 5.6.7 and 3.8.1C of the Zoning Ordinance for construction of a 16'x56' manufactured home/6'x56' deck to be located 62' from the Ordinary High Water Level (OHWL) of Pokegama Lake, General Development and 35' from the centerline of Sunny Beach Addition Rd. At the site inspection, the setbacks were measured (as staked) and deck was measured to be 57' (closest point) from the OHWL and manufactured home to be 57' (closest point) from the centerline of the platted road. ESD Katie Benes explained that the deck could be allowed as a patio platform at the 57' OHWL setback as proposed, moved back to be located 62' from the OHWL or the variance amended for 6'x56' deck to be located 57' from the OHWL (and tabled to allow for renotification). She noted that the existing vegetative buffer meets requirements. Paul Venne was present (via phone) and explained that the existing garage has sanitation, refrigerator and bed/sleeping quarters, and if the variance is approved, he will convert that area to a workshop. He also mentioned that, due to an existing water line, moving the deck/structure back is not an option and requested his application be tabled so it could be amended for deck/manufactured home to be located 57' from the OHWL and garage 57' from the platted road.

Motion: Butterfield/Oja motioned to table the application submitted by Paul & Sandra Venne until the 11/13/2024 meeting to allow the applicants to amend their variance application for 16'x56' manufactured home/6'x56' deck to be located 57' (closest point) from the OHWL and 57' (closest point) from the centerline of Sunny Beach Addition Rd. and motion carried unanimously.

Gary & Teresa Tonneslan/Scott Stoltenberg/Variance—(Part of Govt Lot 3, Section 20, Marcell Township 59-26, Little North Star/Recreational Development 1-Phosphorus Sensitive, Parcel #26-020-1403) — submitted an application for variance from Section 3.8.1A.2 of the Zoning Ordinance for replacement of the existing

24'x32' garage with a 28'x40' garage to be located 95' from the centerline of State Hwy. 38. Gary Tonneslan and Scott Stoltenberg/agent were present and discussed the variance request to replace an existing garage with a larger garage. It was noted that setbacks were not measured from the eaves so the actual setback from the eaves would be 91' from the centerline of the road so the applicants requested their application be amended (and tabled to allow for renotification).

Motion: Butterfield/Oja motioned to table the variance application submitted by Gary & Teresa Tonneslan & Scott Stoltenberg until the 11/13/2024 meeting to allow the applicants to amend their variance request for garage to be located 91' from centerline of the road and motion carried unanimously.

At 12:03 p.m., Butterfield/Oja motioned to adjourn, and motion carried unanimously.

By: _____
Diane Nelson, Recording Secretary