

Jones County Board of Adjustment

Meeting Minutes

March 21, 2023, at 4:00 p.m.

Members present:

Cindy Hall, Chairperson
Paul Thomsen
John Hinz
Catherine Davies
Stan Reiter

Members absent:

None

Staff present:

Sheralyn Schultz – Land Use Administrator
Michele Lubben – Former Land Use Administrator

Visitors present:

Larry Soenksen – 14252 28th Street, Olin
Joe Netolicky – 205 Jackson Street, Olin
Linda Willard – 205 Jackson Street, Olin

A quorum of members of the Jones County Board of Adjustment was achieved at 4:00 p.m. and Chairperson Cindy Hall called the meeting to order.

Motion by Thomsen seconded by Davies to approve the agenda for the meeting. All aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Hinz seconded by Davies to approve the October 18, 2022, meeting minutes. All aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Thomsen seconded by Hinz to open the public hearing at 4:02 p.m. for owners Joseph Netolicky and Linda Willard, who have applied for a variance in the A-Agricultural Zoning District for property in the SW ¼ NE ¼ of Section 23 of Rome Township, generally located at 14378 35th St., Olin, IA. More specifically, the variance is to request re-establishment of a residential use after more than one year has passed, subject to Section 2 of Article VI, Non-Conforming Uses within the Jones County Zoning Ordinance.

The Land Use Administrator noted that the Board received copies of the application, aerial map, and written report. The owner also received a copy of the written report. All adjoining landowner letters were sent and received. The red zoning sign was posted as required. No written or verbal comments were received.

The owner was present to discuss the application. They explained that when they purchased the property, they were told by the previous owner that a house could be built there. There previously was a house located on the property, that was torn down five years ago. They explained that there are no row crops on the property, so they wouldn't be taking any land out of production. They will install a septic tank. It was also explained that a small portion of the property is located in a flood plain. However, that will not affect the area they are planning to build on.

Motion by Thomsen seconded by Hinz to close the public hearing at 4:21 p.m. All aye. Motion carried.

Discussion by the Board of Adjustment took place. The Variance checklist was reviewed.

Motion by Thomsen seconded by Reiter to approve the Variance application for owners, Joe Netolicky and Linda Willard.

Roll call vote:

Thomsen – Aye

Hinz - Aye

Davies - Aye

Hall - Aye

All aye. Motion carried.

The application is approved. The Land Use Administrator will issue the approval to the owner. The red zoning sign was returned.

The next meeting, if needed, is scheduled for Tuesday, April 18, 2023, at 4:00 p.m.

Motion by Davies seconded by Thomsen to adjourn at 4:29 p.m. All aye. Motion carried.