

Planning & Zoning Commission Proceedings
Monday, March 15, 2021

Chairperson Richard Hultberg opened the meeting at 1:35 p.m. Present were Commissioners Hultberg, John Matthews, Don Simon, Don Flinn, and Darwin Saari. Also present were Land Use Administrator Todd Schreiner, Property Assessor Cailey Ferber, Joshua Ritter, Deputy Auditor Diane L. Blumhagen and Chief Deputy Auditor Lori A. Foss. Absent was Commissioner Glenn Earl and County Commissioner Steve Cottingham.

Moved by Matthews, seconded by Flinn, to approve minutes from the previous meeting as submitted. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Simon, Flinn, Saari, Matthews, and Hultberg. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Earl and Cottingham. Motion carried.

Ferber presented a variance request submitted by Joshua and Jennifer Ritter, whose post office address is Bismarck, ND, requesting a variance of the setback requirements of the McLean County Zoning Ordinance involving land described as: Lot 11 – Berget Subdivision (Township 148, Range 80). The above-named applicants seek a variance for the following purpose, to allow the construction of a structure closer than the required 15 feet from the side lot line, and closer than the 125-foot centerline of the rural adjacent road, as proclaimed in Subsection 4 of Section 5.2.4 of the revised McLean County Zoning Ordinance as adopted on September 1, 1982, and as amended on March 26, 2020.

Ritter explained that he would like to build a garage. The rural road access has been approved by Road Superintendent Jim Grey. Garage would not interfere with that road. Adjacent lot owners have been contacted and have given their consent.

Moved by Flinn, seconded by Simon, to recommend approval to the Board of County Commissioners the request submitted by Joshua and Jennifer Ritter, whose post office address is Bismarck, ND, requesting a variance of the setback requirements of the McLean County Zoning Ordinance involving land described as: Lot 11 – Berget Subdivision (Township 148, Range 80). The above-named applicants seek a variance for the following purpose, to allow the construction of a structure closer than the required 15 feet from the side lot line, and closer than the 125-foot centerline of the rural adjacent road. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Simon, Flinn, Saari, Matthews, and Hultberg. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Earl and Cottingham. Motion carried.

There being no further business, the chairperson declared the meeting adjourned at 1:46 p.m.

Richard Hultberg, Chairperson

Diane L. Blumhagen, Deputy Auditor