

Meeting Minutes  
Forest County Board of Adjustment  
Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015

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1. The call to order was given by Chairman Tschohl at 11:45 a.m. in the Laona Town Hall.
2. The roll was called and all members were present. Ron Tschohl, Chairman, Harry Thurin, and Jim Drefahl were present. ZA Pam LaBine was present to act as clerk and to give testimony. The applicants Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Paul were present.
3. Motion by Harry Thurin to approve the agenda, second by Jim Drefahl, all in favor, motion approved.
4. Motion by Jim Drefahl to approve the minutes of the last meeting second by Ron Tschohl, all in favor, motion approved.
5. ZA confirmed compliance with the open meetings law. Those papers are attached.
6. The chairman did not set any time limit on each speaker.
7. Motion by Harry Thurin to open the public hearing, second by Jim Drefahl, all in favor, motion approved.
8. The ZA read the application.
9. The applicant, Thomas Paul made the following statements. I would like to get closer to one side lot line as I need to access my back yard with a truck or other wheeled vehicle. We are on Laona sewer and water. I will gutter the building and get the water into the ground. This is going to be a four season home for us so we need a garage and added access.
10. ZA said the soils were very good on this lot, there should be no problems with infiltration. The size of the building puts the impervious surface slightly over the 20 % but not greater than 30%. This is a lot of record and smaller than current code requires.
11. ZA read the enclosed letter as related correspondence. Sandra Ladue-Ives said she did not want the house closer to the lot line as others would ask for the same variance. Ms Ives owns the lot to the west of Mr. Paul. Mr. Rice owns the lot east of Mr. Paul. He communicated that he is fine with the setback and welcomes a new home. Mark Swager called and he is agreeable with the setback and sees no harm in the request.
12. There was no ex-parte communication.
13. There were no witness questions.
14. There was no response from staff.
15. Harry Thurin asked if all buildings would be guttered and the applicant agreed.
16. Motion by Jim Drefahl to close the public hearing, second by Harry Thurin.
17. Discussion was held by the BOA concerning the request of Mr. Paul. They agreed that during the site visit the soils were pervious and the house fit well within the area. If the home were moved to the side lot line shared by Mr. Rice and Mr. Pauls there would be less conflict with Ms Ives. The board answered the decision questionnaire and made the following motion; Motion by Jim Drefahl to allow the applicant to lessen the west side yard setback to 7.5 feet and maintain the east side yard setback at 10 feet, to exceed the impervious surface limit of

20% but to not exceed 30%, second by Harry Thurin, all in favor, motion approved.

18. Motion by Jim Drefahl to adjourn, second by Harry Thurin, all in favor, motion approved.

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_ on 5/13/15