

WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Wednesday, October 20, 2010 - 5:30 p.m.

Lounge Room, Courthouse, Oshkosh, Wisconsin

PUBLIC HEARING

Present: Board Members: Chairman Arden Schroeder, Greg Kargus, Dan Mingus, Mary Mathwig, and Carla Koller (alternate).

Also present: Kathryn Larson, zoning department; Karen Fredrick, court reporter; and interested citizens.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. Committee members and staff introduced themselves and Chairman Schroeder explained the hearing process & announced that the Deliberative Session would be held Friday, October 29, 2010, at 7:30 a.m.

K. Larson read the appeal process and G. Kargus read the legal description and requested variances for the following agenda items:

Maury Berger – Town of Algoma

Susan Berger was sworn in and explained her plans to tear off the existing attached garage and build a new addition with a substandard 3 ft. side yard setback. The existing setback varies from 24 to 30 inches. She further explained that builders have told her that she could not just convert the space because the current attached garage is not on footings. Meeting the minimum 7 ft. side yard setback would result in a 7 ft. width of usable space. The owners of the affected home to the west have no windows along the shared lot line and have a privacy fence already in place.

She continued that adding on to the east side of the house where there is room would require changes to the purpose of interior rooms and considerable structural changes to the house. It would also block the view and the light of the neighbor to the east who has many windows on the west side of the house. Also, the plumbing comes into the house on the east side.

K. Larson explained that because tonight's public hearing conflicted with the Town of Algoma's Town Meeting, she told the Town of Algoma that they could get their recommendation to the County on Thursday. There were no other responses to this variance.

Claude Oltra – Town of Winneconne

Claude Oltra appeared. He explained that when his sunroom was built, the vinyl was just snapped on over the wood, and over the years, the wood underneath the vinyl had rotted. Owners purchased the property in 1996. The many of the windows can no longer be opened. Mr. Oltra also stated that since he had to apply for a variance to rebuild, he wanted to go a little larger to make the room more usable.

Claude Oltra – Town of Winneconne

There was no response from the Town of Winneconne or the DNR. Mr. Oltra submitted a petition signed by owners of nine of the nearby properties confirming that they have no objection to the proposed variance.

Upon call, no one else wished to speak, and there being no other business, Chairman Schroeder adjourned the meeting at 5:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn M. Larson

Recording Secretary for the Board of Adjustment