

Morrison County Board of Adjustment
Morrison County Government Center Board Room

Minutes

February 28, 2023

Dave Stish called the meeting of the Morrison County Board of Adjustment to order at 7:31 p.m.

Members Present: Dave Stish, John Kunelius, Clint Kathrein, Brent Lindgren and Marvin Trettel

Members Absent: None

Ex-Officio Members Present: Amy Kowalzek, Hannah Kruse and Sharon Peterson

Ex-Officio Members Absent: Robert Wall and Shannon Wettstein

County Commissioners: Bobby Kasper

County Commissioners Absent: Jeff Jelinski, Greg Blaine, Randy Winscher and Mike LeMieur

Other Members: Matt LeBlanc

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairperson Dave Stish read the opening statement.

1. Election of officers

A motion was made by Dave Stish to nominate Brent Lindgren as Chair. A motion was made by Brent Lindgren to nominate Dave Stish as Chair. The first motion was voted as two in favor and Brent Lindgren, John Kunelius and Clint Kathrein not in favor. The second motion was voted as all in favor.

A motion was made by Clint Kathrein to nominate Brent Lindgren as Vice-Chair. The vote was all in favor.

A motion was made by Marvin Trettel to nominate John Kunelius as Secretary. The vote was all in favor.

2. Dale & Cherri Lund – 24173 Pine View Rd; Pierz, MN 56364 – Application for a Variance to add onto a non-conforming home; located in Lots 15, 16, & 17 of Sun Set Point Lots, Section 13, Township 40, Range 31, Agram Township.

Dale & Cherri Lund were present.

Amy Kowalzek entered into record Sections 301, 301.6, 706 and 706.3 of the Morrison County Land Use Control Ordinance, plat map with the parcel location, Variance application, background information questions, site plan, two renderings of the proposed home addition, site plan from the septic design, three (3) aerial photos, lake view aerial, six (6) site photos, staff report, aerial photo showing contour lines with a letter from the surveyor stating these properties do not contain a bluff, aerial photo showing a building envelope and impervious surface calculation sheet. There were 107 notices sent to neighboring property owners. One comment was received prior to the public hearing from the Township. Amy entered the finding of fact and decision questions.

John Kunelius asked about the retaining walls and what type of material in under the snow in this area. Dale Lund stated rocks and grass.

Dave Stish asked what the area in front of the home is. Dale Lund stated the hill is grass.

Clint Kathrein stated the septic tank has to be 10 feet from the structure and the drainfield has be 20' from the structure. Clint stated that the gutters on the house is helpful for the runoff. It was hard to see the topography with all of the snow.

Marvin Trettel asked about the impervious surface on the lake side. Amy Kowalzek stated the impervious surface can still be counted depending on what type of fabric is placed down.

Dave Stish stated this is a non-conforming lot and the structure is non-conforming. The property is close to being a bluff. There is a sharp decline to the water. By allowing this it would intensify a non-conformity. We should be looking at reducing non-conformities.

Dale Lund stated that he would have to remove the garage and some large oak trees in order to move the structure back. Both of the neighboring properties are significantly lower than this property.

Audience Comment: None

The voting sheets were polled.

A motion was made by Marvin Trettel to approve the Variance request including conditions. The motion was seconded by Clint Kathrein. The vote was four in favor and Dave Stish opposed.

The public hearing was closed at 8:37 p.m.

A motion was made by Dave Stish to approve the December 27, 2022 minutes. The motion was seconded by Brent Lindgren. The vote was all in favor.

Correspondence - None

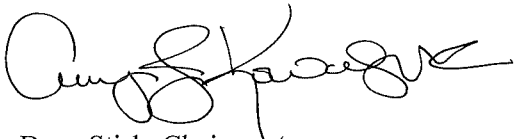
New business – Next two meetings will have five agenda items on each of the meetings.

Old business – None

A motion was made by Brent Lindgren to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Marvin Trettel. The vote was all in favor.

With no further business at hand, the hearing was closed at 8:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dave Stish". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and "S".

Dave Stish, Chairperson
Marvin Trettel, Vice-Chairperson
Brent Lindgren, Secretary
Amy Kowalzek, Appointed Secretary
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