

The Dallas Center Board of Adjustment met in an electronic meeting via Zoon on April 19, 2021 at 7:00 pm due to Iowa Governor Kim Reynold's April 2, 2021 updated Proclamation of Disaster Emergency, which among other matters, encouraged all vulnerable lowans to limit their activities outside of their home including their participation in gatherings of any size and any purpose. The Governor further continued the suspension of state laws requiring a public meeting or hearing to the extent the laws could be interpreted to prevent a governmental body from limiting the number of people present for an in-person location of the meeting, providing the governmental body provides a means for the public to participate by telephone or electronically. Compliance with the social distancing requirements for a public meeting would unduly limit the public's participation at a meeting of the Board of Adjustment.

Board Chair Gary Park called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Board members on the call/Zoom meeting were Gary Park, Sandy Gannon, Eliza Johnson, Bret Van De Pol and Todd Lawton.

Motion by Johnson, 2nd by Gannon to approve the adoption of procedural rules for the Board of Adjustment. Roll call all ayes, motion passed.

Motion by Johnson, 2nd by Gannon to approve the nomination of Lawton as Vice Chair. Roll call all ayes, motion passed.

Motion by Lawton, 2nd by Johnson to approve the nomination of Gannon as Secretary. Roll call all ayes, motion passed.

Motion by Lawton, 2nd by Johnson to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2020, Board meeting. Roll call all ayes, motion passes.

During the Public Communications and Concerns period, Julie Becker and Robert Haxton stated their concerns.

Following a public hearing, motion by Gannon, 2nd by Lawton, that the applicant Charles R. Rhinehart be granted variances at 1706 Sugar Grove Avenue (a) to reduce the required distance of the accessory building to the west alley from 20 feet to 15 feet; (b) to increase the allowed maximum height of the building addition from 15 feet to 19 feet; and (c) to meet the conformance requirements of Code Section 165.19. This Decision is made by the Board on the 19th day of April, 2021, by a recorded roll call vote of five in favor and none opposed. During the public hearing Julie Becker and Robert Haxton stated support of the requested variances.

Following a public hearing, motion by Lawton, 2nd by Gannon, that the applicants David and Sheryl Shields be granted variances to permit them to remodel the rear house on the lot at 1605 Sugar Grove Avenue and to trench in the power line to the house and the nearby shop building, the provisions of Sections 165.22(1) and 165.22(2) notwithstanding. This Decision is made by the Board on the 19th day of April, 2021, by a recorded roll call vote of five in favor and none opposed. During the public hearing Julie Becker and Robert Haxton stated support of the requested variances.

Motion by Johnson, 2nd by Lawton to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 pm.

Sandy Gannon, Secretary