

CITY OF PIERZ

Official Minutes of the Board of Appeals and Adjustments

August 12, 2019

Members Present: Dave Fischer, Jacque Ballou, Chris Young, Toby Egan, and Jim Gerwing

Staff Present: Bob Otremba

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dave Fischer at 5:30 pm. Mayor Fischer explained Dave and Jessica Rocheleau's building permit application that was approved on July 8th, 2019 with a condition stating the front set back is 40 feet from the road right of way.

Dave Rocheleau explained several reasons why they would like the front setback on their house to be 30 feet from the road right of way. They would like daylight windows on the east side of their house, and the cost of egress windows would not be reasonable. The other houses on the block do not have a front set back of 40 feet. With a setback of 30 feet, they would not allow parked cars on the sidewalk in front to their property. They would like to enjoy a larger back yard.

Jim Gerwing explained the reasons the Planning and Zoning Board recommended the 40-foot front set back. One reason was because two cars could not be parked in the driveway without blocking the public sidewalk. Another reason was that Andy Mahar's house at 304 Karst St. was supposed to be setback 40 feet. Andy Mahar did not follow his permit and built the house with a 32 to 33-foot set back.

Mayor Fischer made a motion seconded by Jacque Ballou to grant the variance to allow the Rocheleaus to have a 30-foot set back. The motion carried unanimously.

After some discussion on whether a variance was needed, a motion was made by Jacque Ballou and seconded by Chris Young to rescind the approval of the variance and turn the permit application back to the Planning and Zoning Board to review the application again. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Toby Egan and seconded by Chris Young to adjourn at 6:19 pm. Motion carried unanimously.



Dave Fischer, Mayor



Kyle Bednar, City Clerk