

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA AND PUBLIC HEARING
October 3, 2018**

Chairman Josh Gunselman called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals to order at 6:30 p.m. Roll call was taken as follows:

Josh Gunselman, Chairman	-Present	Anthony Seng	-Present
Dan Buck, Vice Chairman	-Present	Darla Blazey, Director of C.D./Planning	-Present
Matt Schaick, Secretary	-Present	Renee Kabrick, City Attorney	-Absent
Randy Mehringer	-Absent		

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Minutes of the September 5, 2018 regular meeting were reviewed. Secretary Matt Schaick made a motion to approve the minutes as mailed. Vice Chairman Dan Buck seconded it. Motion carried 4-0.

STATEMENT

Chairman Josh Gunselman read the following statement. “We are now ready to begin the public hearing scheduled for this evening. With respect to tonight’s meeting and public hearings, we are hereby incorporating by reference into the record of tonight’s meeting and public hearings, City of Jasper Ordinance Number 2016-30, entitled “Unified Development Ordinance of the City of Jasper, Indiana and its jurisdictional area” and any and all amendments thereto, and the City of Jasper Comprehensive Plan.”

NEW BUSINESS

Petition of Gerard Burger for a variance from Chapter 7 Section 7.10 Accessory Uses and Structures Subsection A. (4) Allowance of the Unified Development Ordinance 2016-30 to allow and accessory structure that is not subordinate in height to the primary structure

Gerard Burger, of 1405 W. Andrew Lane, was present to request a variance to construct a detached garage on his property with a height of 18 feet. The pitch is 6 feet, which measures a foot taller than the house. Mr. Burger explained that the space of the attic is the reason the pitch of the garage exceeds that of the house.

Board members shared concerns regarding the placement of the proposed structure. Mr. Burger’s property is a corner lot and therefore has two front yards. According to the plat, Mr. Burger’s site plan shows the building in the front setback. After some discussion, Mr. Burger agreed to revise the site plan and move the building back a few feet to be even with the house.

With no remonstrators present, Secretary Matt Schaick made a motion to close the public hearing. Vice Chairman Dan Buck seconded it. Motion carried 4-0.

Anthony Seng made a motion to grant a variance as presented. Vice Chairman Dan Buck seconded it. Motion carried 4-0.

Comprehensive Plan Update

Director of Community Development and Planning Darla Blazey gave an update on the Comprehensive Plan. There were two days of focus groups discussing a number of topics. A public open house was also held and the committee continues to collect surveys on the website. An interactive exhibit is currently at the Jasper Public Library and will be moved around throughout the month.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further discussion, Vice Chairman Dan Buck made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Secretary Matt Schaick. The motion passed 4-0, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:45p.m.

Josh Gunselman, Chairman

Matt Schaick, Secretary

Recording Secretary, Kathy Pfister