

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA AND PUBLIC HEARING
January 8, 2020**

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

Randy Mehringer abstained from voting at tonight's meeting. The Plan Commission will consider Mehringer's appointment to serve another four-year term at its next meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Minutes of the December 4, 2019 regular meeting were reviewed. Anthony Seng made a motion to approve the minutes as mailed. Vice Chairman Dan Buck seconded it. Motion carried 3-0.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Randy Mehringer made a motion to nominate Josh Gunselman as Chairman, Dan Buck as Vice Chairman and Anthony Seng as Secretary for 2020. Josh Gunselman made a motion to grant the nominations, seconded by Dan Buck. The motion carried 3-0.

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. Pursuant to Article V, Sections 2, 3 and 4 of the BZA rules of procedure, presentation by a Petitioner shall be limited to 15 minutes. The Call for remonstrators shall be limited to 20 minutes; with individuals limited to no more than 5 minutes at the Chairman's discretion. Such time limits may be increased by a majority vote of the board members present."

NEW BUSINESS

Petition of EGR, LLC for a variance from the City of Jasper's Unified Development Ordinance 2016-30, Chapter 4 Section 4.10 Neighborhood Business (B1), Section C. B1 District Standards fifty (50) foot minimum lot frontage (measured at lot line)

Attorney Bill Kaiser, of Bingham Greenbaum Doll, was present on behalf of EGR, LLC, to request a variance from the minimum lot frontage of 50 feet in a B1(neighborhood business) district. The Obermeyer Cycle property, located at 2501 Newton Street, is owned by Keith and Joellen Obermeyer. Currently, there is a house located on the same parcel as the business, which was occupied by the former property owner. The

Obermeyers plan to sell off the residence located on the parcel to a third party and retain ownership of the business.

The residence has a frontage lot line of approximately 37.7 feet, which fronts Booths Lane, an unimproved public access. There will be an access easement from the residence onto Sunset Drive. Street Commissioner Jeff Theising told the board that, for the record, Booths Lane is undeveloped where the driveway would connect. A road will not be built or improved. Attorney Kaiser stated that it is also not the intent of Obermeyers to request these improvements.

With no remonstrators present, Vice Chairman Dan Buck made a motion to close the public hearing. Secretary Anthony Seng seconded it. Motion carried 3-0.

Secretary Anthony Seng made a motion to grant a variance as presented. Vice Chairman Dan Buck seconded it. Motion carried 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further discussion, Vice Chairman Dan Buck made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Secretary Anthony Seng. The motion carried 3-0, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.


Josh Gunselman, Chairman


Anthony Seng, Secretary

Recording Secretary, Kathy Pfister