

**REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY OF OTTAWA ZONING BOARD  
OF APPEALS – October 17, 2013**

Mayor Bob Eschbach  
City Council Members

Gentlemen:

A meeting of the Ottawa Zoning Board of Appeals was held on Thursday, October 17, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Ottawa city council chambers. Members present were Charles Sheridan, Dan Bittner, Aaron Battistelli, and Todd Volker. Mike Sutfin was present.

It was moved by Charles Sheridan and seconded by Dan Bittner to approve the minutes of the last meeting of the board held September 19, 2013.

The chairman opened the floor to new business and three requests for variances were heard:

Item 1: 920 Deerfield Lane, Ottawa

Larry and Sheila Johnson, owners of the property at 920 Deerfield Lane in Ottawa requested a fence ordinance variance, in order to build a fence six feet high. Currently the fence ordinance sets a maximum fence height at four feet. The fence will enclose a portion of the current utility and drainage easement on the property. (Location and Height Requirement Item #4, City of Ottawa, Fence Permit).

Aaron Battistelli moved to grant the fence ordinance variance with the stipulation that the owners are cognizant that they are responsible for any possible future expense connected with fence removal should the city require access to its easement. Motion was seconded by Todd Volker and unanimously approved.

Item 2: 1002 First Avenue, Ottawa

Mike McGrogan represented property owners Larry and Bonnie McGrogan in requesting a sign variance for the Sav-A-Lot property located on 1002 First Avenue, Ottawa. The owners wish to add an electronic readerboard to the existing Sav-A-Lot sign, similar to the one at their Handy Foods property. Todd Volker moved to grant the sign ordinance; the motion was seconded by Dan Bittner and unanimously approved.

Item 3: 920 W. Main Street, Ottawa

June Steder requested a side-yard setback variance for a building addition placed on the property line at 920 W. Main Street. Aaron Battistelli moved to table the request for one month to allow for the property-owner to gain consent of the adjacent property-owner for foundation digging. The motion was seconded by Dan Bittner and approved unanimously.

Dan Bittner moved to adjourn the meeting, the motion was seconded by Aaron Battistelli and was unanimously approved.