

# CITY OF OTTAWA

301 West Madison Street  
Ottawa, Illinois 61350



## REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY OF OTTAWA ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

April 21, 2011

Mayor Robert Eschbach  
City Council Members  
City of Ottawa  
Ottawa, IL. 61350

Gentlemen:

A meeting of the Ottawa Zoning Board of Appeals was held on Thursday April 21, 2011 at 7:00 pm in Council Chambers, Ottawa, IL. Members present were Charles Sheridan, John Stone, Dan Bitner, and Jim Conness.

Charles Sheridan chaired the meeting.

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the last meeting be approved.  
Motion passed.

The chairman noted that the Zoning Board of Appeals only recommends to the city council, and recommended to any one appearing before this board to also attend the next city council meeting. The Chairman also read the five standards for variances to those appearing before the board.

Concerning the request for an appeal from the Zoning Ordinance for the following described properties:

I

Lot 53 in the West Peninsula Unit 1 at Heritage Harbor Ottawa, in the City of Ottawa, LaSalle County, Illinois, commonly known as 3 Windward Way owned by Paul and Tamera McCool, for the purpose of a request for a side yard setback variance to install a staircase.

The Chairmen asked if there was anyone present to speak on the ordinance. Kris Spaniol appeared before the Board representing Mr. & Mrs. McCool requesting a side yard setback variance to build a new stair case along the side of the deck. The stair case will be 10 ft. off the neighbors foundation. The stair case will be 2.42 ft off the property line.

Chairman asked if there was anyone present to oppose the appeal. No one appeared before the Board in opposition.

Zoning Ordinance: Sect. 4.B. 4.C.

It was moved by John Stone and seconded by Jim Conness that all the standards A thru E of Section 18 Part G number 3 were read and discussed by the board and the board recommends to the City Council to approve the request for the variance. Motion Passed.

## II

Lots 10 & 11, except the North 10 feet of said Lot 11 in Block 7 in McCarty & White's Subdivision, in the City of Ottawa, LaSalle County, Illinois, commonly known as 918 Chambers Street owned by Michael and Toni Anderson, for the purpose of request for a side yard setback variance to build a new storage shed.

The Chairmen asked if there was anyone present to speak on the ordinance. Michael Anderson appeared before the Board to request a side yard setback variance to build a new garage. Mr. Anderson stated that he required space to store his hunting and fishing boat, if had been stored at another location for several years, wanted to move it to his home and didn't want to have it in the yard. The new garage will be 24 ft. by 12 ft. and will be 3 ft. and 6 in. from the lot line to the foundation. This will allow for a 16 in. over hang. Drainage from eaves will be on the his property. Judy Foster, a neighbor, commented in agreement on the project.

Chairman asked if there was anyone present to oppose the appeal. No one appeared before the Board in opposition.

Zoning Ordinance: Sect. 4.B. 4.C.

It was moved by Jim Conness and seconded by Dan Bittner that all the standards A thru E of Section 18 Part G number 3 were read and discussed by the board and the board recommends to the City Council to approve the request for the variance. Motion Passed.

### III

Lot 3 in Block 2 in Birchlawn Subdivision, in the City of Ottawa, LaSalle County, Illinois, commonly known as 1417 Birchlawn Place owned by Terry and Rachel Martin, for the purpose of request for a side yard setback variance to build an addition.

The Chairmen asked if there was anyone present to speak on the ordinance. Terry Martin appeared before the Board to request a side yard setback variance to build a new attached garage. The new garage will be 24 ft. by 12 ft. and will be 3 ft. and 6 in. from the lot line to the foundation. This will allow for a 16 in. over hang. Drainage will be to the back of the garage.

Chairman asked if there was anyone present to oppose the appeal. No one appeared before the Board in opposition.

Zoning Ordinance: Sect. 4.B. 4.C.

It was moved by Dan Bittner and seconded by John Stone that all the standards A thru E of Section 18 Part G number 3 were read and discussed by the board and the board recommends to the City Council to approve the request for the variance. Motion Passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Conness  
Recording Secretary  
Zoning Board of Appeals