

WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Wednesday, November 18, 2015, 2015 - 5:00 p.m.

4th Floor Conference Room, County Administrative Building, Oshkosh, Wisconsin

PUBLIC HEARING

Present: Board Members: Arden Schroeder, Chairman; Susan Drexler, Tom Verstegen, and Tom Tuschl. Also present: Eric Rasmussen, zoning department; and Karen Frederick, court reporter.

Excused: Greg Kargus

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. Committee members and staff introduced themselves. A. Schroeder explained the hearing process and E. Rasmussen read the appeal process. It was announced that the Deliberative Session would be on Thursday, December 3, 2015 at 7:30 a.m.

T. Verstegen read the legal description and the requested variance:

1. Austin Doehling, Town of Poygan – Parcel No. 020-0181-02

Austin Doehling, property owner, was sworn in. They constructed the garage in 2008. They located it away from the drainfield and in the location most compliant with the Town's regulations. They were not aware the stream was navigable when they got permits and a variance from the Town. The home is approximately 800 square feet and is on a slab so the garage is their storage. The home and septic were installed and constructed in 1972. There is no commercial use in the garage.

Jessica Reha, fiancé of property owner was sworn in. The Town did not have a formal variance approval letter.

Kenneth Jungwirth, was sworn in. He is a neighbor and his parents used to own the property in question. He is for the request. He stated that he and his family dug the ditch so it should not be navigable.

Lori Doehling was sworn in. She is the mother of the applicant. She read the definition of a navigable waterway. Staff explained that the DNR determines navigability and that they had confirmed the navigability in question prior to the request being made.

Glen Reha was sworn in. He is Jessica Reha's father. He had questions regarding the navigability and possibilities to change the determination. Staff reconfirmed that this was not a process that is involved with the current variance request and that the state had confirmed the determination in the spring of 2015.

Staff read into record an letter from the DNR regarding the request.

There being no other business, this meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Rasmussen

Recording Secretary for the Board of Adjustment