

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
OTTER TAIL COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
Thursday, June 13, 2019**

The Otter Tail County Board of Adjustment met Thursday, June 13, 2019, with the following persons in attendance:

Rick Wilson	Douglas Larson	Steve Schierer
Darren Newville	Kenneth Vorderbruggen	Thomas Lee

Chris LeClair, Land & Resource Management, Director
Ben Olson, Assistant County Attorney

Called to Order – Steve Schierer, Chairman called the meeting of the Board of Adjustment to order at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes Approved - The Board of Adjustment approved the minutes of the May 9, 2019 meeting.

The Board of Adjustment considered the following application(s) for variance:

Theresa & Michael Howe – Variance Application Approve as Requested (6:32 p.m.)

Theresa & Michael Howe, Lot 5 of Hawes Beach, Buchanan Lake in Otter Tail Township, requested the following: Our previous lakeside deck was taken down during the residing of our home and we request a variance to build a deck of 301.5 sq. ft. attached to the lakeside of our house. As our house was built in 1986 we are not able to meet the current requirements of a 75' setback and 260 sq. ft. of structure in the shore impact zone. The deck would not encroach closer than 40 ft towards the OWHL which is 2ft. less than the previous deck and total structure in the SIZ would not exceed 505 sq. ft.

Theresa & Michael Howe represented the application. The audience was polled with no one speaking for or against the variance as requested.

After consideration and discussion, Darren Newville made a motion, second by Kenneth Vorderbruggen and unanimously carried to approve a Variance to construct a deck on the lake side of the cabin being 40' from the OHWL & the shore impact zone impervious surface coverage will not exceed 505 sq. ft. and based on the Findings of Fact and Decision Form, which contains the criteria reviewed and the Board's finding has been attached to and incorporated as an official part of the minutes which has been placed on file with the Land & Resource Management Department. It was noted that this is a maintenance issue and the proposed deck will be 2' further away from the lake than the previous deck. The variance as approved does not directly or indirectly grant any other variances for future development.

Dwight M. Harlow – Variance Application Approve as Requested with a Condition (6:38 p.m.)

Dwight M. Harlow, Lots 5 & 6 Blk 14, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, & 7 Blk 14 #204 & #6-002 To Be Perm. Attached and Pt SE1/4 NW1/4 & Pt SW1/4 NE1/4... in Carlisle Township, requested the following: Currently have 3 parcels with 09-000-99-0204-000, 09-000-02-0006-002 being permanently attached & 09-000-99-0204-001 being a separate parcel. Request to have 09-000-0204-000 be permanently attached to 09-000-99-0204-001 & have 09-000-02-0006-002 be a separate parcel. Parcels containing wetlands require 5 acres for a metes and bounds parcel tract, requesting a 1.34 acre tract.

Dwight Harlow & Jesse Harlow represented the application. The audience was polled with no one speaking for or against the variance as requested.

Thomas Lee abstained from this application.

After consideration and discussion, Steve Schierer made a motion, second by Rick Wilson and unanimously carried to approve the variance as requested with the condition that the shed which currently sits on the lotline must be brought into compliance by being at least 10' from the lotline and based on the Findings of Fact and Decision Form, which contains the criteria reviewed and the Board's finding has been attached to and incorporated as an official part of the minutes which has been placed on file with the Land & Resource Management Department. The variance as approved does not directly or indirectly grant any other variances for future development.

Robert & Marylou Haskell – Variance Application Approved as Requested (6:45 p.m.)

Robert & Marylou Haskell, Pt of GL 1 Com NW Cor...(.18 Acres) & Pt GL 1-2-3- Called Bergsten...(.29) in Clitherall Township, request the following: The variance requested is the following: 1. To add an addition to existing structure by following roofline of residential at 35 feet from OHWL and adding a garage structure at 75 feet from OHWL, required setback is 100' (see enclosed literature which is on file at Land & Resource Management). 2. to request a setback from right-of-way of 10 feet instead of 20 feet to provide a larger scenic green space area at front of the lot (for garage construction). 3. To request a 450 foot² porch area in the front of the addition instead of the 260 foot² in the shore impact zone for the increased viewing and appreciation of beautiful Crane Lake and to follow existing roof line for architectural harmony. Requesting to have proposed shore impact zone impervious surface at 930 square feet allowed is 260 sq. ft.

Robert & Marylou Haskell represented the application. The audience was polled with no one speaking for or against the variance as requested.

After consideration and discussion, Thomas Lee made a motion, second by Douglas Larson and unanimously carried to approve a variance to construct an addition to the existing structure being 35' from the OHWL, construct a detached garage being 75' from the OHWL and 10' from the road right-of-way. Also construct a 450 sq. ft. porch area in the front of the addition which will be in the shore impact zone, the impervious surface coverage in the shore impact zone will increase to 930 sq. ft. and based on the Findings of Fact and Decision Form, which contains the criteria reviewed and the Board's finding have been attached to and incorporated as an official part of the minutes which have been placed on file with the Land & Resource Management Department. The variance as approved does not directly or indirectly grant any other variances from proposed or future development.

Carman & Carole Lynnes – Variance Application Approved as Requested (7:57 p.m.)

Carman & Carole Lynnes, Lot 20 Pelican Point First Addition, and Lots 1 & 3 of Haggarts Second Addition in Dunn Township, request the following: Lot 1 (Parcel No. 17000991968000) & Lot 3 (Parcel No. 17000991970000) of Haggarts Second Addition are attached to Lot 20 (Parcel No. 17000991948000) Pelican Point First Addition. We are requesting that Lot 1 be split from Lot 20 and permanently attached to Lot 23 (Parcel No. 17000991951000) of Pelican Point 1st Addition, Lot 3 will remain permanently attached to Lot 20 of Pelican Point 1st Addition.

The application was represented by Carman Lynnes. The audience was polled with no one speaking for or against the variance as requested.

After consideration and discussion, Rick Wilson made a motion, second by Thomas Lee and unanimously carried to approve the variance as requested in the application dated May 13, 2019 and as depicted on the drawing submitted with the variance application and based on the Findings of Fact and Decision Form, which contains the criteria reviewed and the Board's finding has been attached to and incorporated as an official part of the minutes which has been placed on file with the Land & Resource Management Department.

Devin Gemelli – Variance Application Approved as Requested (7:03 p.m.)

Devin Gemelli, Wly 613' of SL1 of GL 2 Ex 5 Tracts of 500' on Lk in Amor Township, request the following: Requesting a variance to replace the roof on the existing dwelling. New roof will have a 8/12 pitch which will match the pitch on the proposed additions to the dwelling. Also request to replace the screen porch being the same size but need to change the roof to match the proposed roof on the dwelling. The screen porch is currently setback approx. 56' from the OHWL and within the bluff. The screen porch will go no closer to the lake than it currently is.

The application was represented by Devin Gemelli. The audience was polled with no one speaking for or against the variance as requested.

After consideration and discussion, Darren Newville made a motion, seconded by Kenneth Vorderbruggen and unanimously carried to approve the variance request to replace the roof with a new 8/12 pitch to match the proposed additions and replace the existing screen porch being the same size which is currently set back 56' from the OHWL and as depicted on the variance application and drawing which was submitted with the application and based on the Findings of Fact and Decision Form, which contains the criteria reviewed and the Board's findings has been attached to and incorporated as an official part of the minutes which has been placed on file with the Land & Resource Management Department. It was noted that this request is maintenance to the dwelling. The variance as approved does not directly or indirectly grant any other variances from proposed or future development.

Dawn & Paul Hess – Variance Application Approved as Requested (7:05 p.m.)

Dawn & Paul Hess, Pt Lot 1 Being the Ely 70' on Lake & 85' on Rd, Parcels 588, 589 & 470-001 Not to be Split in Maine Township, request the following: Proposing to remove the existing 3 season porch (8' x 14') and replace it with a 8' x 28' addition to dwelling. The proposed addition will go no closer to the lake than the existing structure. (3 Season Porch) which is approx. 89' from the lake. Required setback is 100' requesting an approx. 11' variance.

The application was represented by Dawn & Paul Hess. The audience was polled with no one speaking for or against the variance as requested. A letter from David & Carol Willey and Jerome & Henrietta Klinnert all in support of the variance application request.

After consideration and discussion, Steve Schierer made a motion, seconded by Thomas Larson and unanimously carried to approve a variance of 11' from the ordinary high water level setback of 100' for the proposed development as described in the variance application dated May 20, 2019 and based on the Findings of Fact and Decision Form, which contains the criteria reviewed and the Board's finding has been attached to and incorporated as an official part of the minutes which has been placed on file with the Land & Resource Management Department. The variance as approved does not directly or indirectly grant any other variances from proposed or future development.

Break – The Board of Adjustment Members took a 10-minute break at 7:20 p.m. and reconvene at 7:30 p.m.

Wayne Erickson – Motion Failed on a Tie Vote – Tabled (7:30 p.m.)

Wayne Erickson, The North 660' of Government Lot 2 in Friberg Township, request the following: A 50 foot variance is requested from 200 feet to 150 feet from the water. Due to the steep hills and wooded landscape this is the only suitable place for the home.

The application was represented by Wayne Erickson. The audience was polled with no one speaking for or against the variance as requested.

After significant discussion and consideration, Rick Wilson made a motion, seconded by Darren Newville to deny the variance request and to work with Land & Resource Management to ensure all regulations are as close to compliance as they can possibly get and no adequate hardship/practical difficulty has been shown that would allow for the granting of the variance request. This motion failed on a tie vote with Kenneth Vorderbruggen, Thomas Lee & Steve Schierer voting against the motion. No other action taken, therefore tabled to July 11, 2019.

Evan & Michelle Newman – Variance Application Approved as Requested (7:54 p.m.)

Evan & Michelle Newman, Pt W1/2 NE1/4 & Pt E1/2 NE1/4...(107.25 Ac) in Buse Township, request the following: Proposing to remove the old house & old barn and replace with a 75' x 40' new dwelling with attached garage being approximately 107' from John Lake. Required setback is 200'. Requesting a 93' Variance. Also request a variance to construct a 40' x 40' storage structure being approximately 115' from Unnamed Lake No 56-841. Required setback is 200'. Requesting an 85' Variance.

The application was represented by Evan Newman. The audience was polled with no one speaking for or against the variance as requested.

After consideration and discussion Thomas Lee made a motion, seconded by Darren Newville and unanimously carried to approve a variance of 93' from the ordinary high water level setback from John Lake for a new dwelling with attached garage being 107' from the ordinary high water level and a variance of 85' from the ordinary high water level from Unnamed Lake (56-841) for a Storage Structure being 115' from the ordinary high water level for the proposed development as described in the variance application dated May 21, 2019 and based on the Findings of Fact and Decision Form, which contains the criteria reviewed and the Board's finding have been attached to and incorporated as an official part of the minutes which has been placed on file with the Land & Resource Management Department. The variance as approved does not directly or indirectly grant any other variances from proposed or future development.

Daniel & Charlene Diegnau & Timothy & Anna Deuel – Variance Application Approved with Condition (8:08p.m.)

Daniel & Charlene Diegnau & Timothy & Anna Deuel, Commencing at the SW Corner of said Section 10; thence North along the west line of said Section 10, a distance of 2567-69 feet... in Star Lake Township, request the following: Variance Request is to subdivide a 1.8-acre tract and create Parcel A with 41,110 Sq. ft. and Parcel B with 37,568 sq. ft. in area, the Subdivision Controls Ordinance requires 5 acre minimum tracts when subdividing land in the Shoreland Area. We are requesting to split our property which is approximately 1.8 acers into two parcels. West Bank Road serves our property. Said Road travels easterly from C.S.A.H. No. 41 and is a 33.00 foot wide roadway easement which serves approximately 6 parcels of land at this time. We would follow the standard plat procedure for this minor subdivision as it exceeds all the Otter Tail County Shoreland Ordinance requirements (see accompanying

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Sketch of Proposed Split for Variance Application), however we do not meet the requirements for roadway. Our burden is the current status of the road being 33.00 feet wide and an easement road. The township does not maintain this road. We attended the May 13th, 2019 township meeting and the town board supports this application.

The application was represented by Maverick Larson, Compass Consultants, Charlene Diegnau & Anna Deuel. The audience was polled with no one speaking for or against the variance as requested. A letter from Juli Klindt & Jeffrey Ryks opposing the proposal was read for the record.

After consideration and discussion, Darren Newville made a motion, seconded by Douglas Larson and unanimously carried to approve the variance as requested in the application dated May 20, 2019 and as depicted on the drawing submitted with the variance application with a condition that there is suitable room for 2 septic systems on Parcel B and based on the Findings of Fact and Decision Form, which contains the criteria reviewed and the Board's findings have been attached to and incorporated as an official part of the minutes which has been placed on file with the Land & Resource Management Department. The variance as approved does not directly or indirectly grant any other variances from proposed or future development.

Brooklyn Wensauer – Variance Application Approved with Condition (8:23 p.m.)

Brooklyn Wensauer, Pt NE1/4 NW1/4 & Part GL 2... (2.51 Acres) in Nidaros Township, request the following: I'm requesting a variance of a 100' to construct a new dwelling with decks due to the standard setback of 200' from the OHWL. The proposed dwelling is 28' x 48' with an attached garage proposed size of 30' x 40'. This land also features a bluff with the standard setback of 30'. So without this variance I would be unable to construct any type of dwelling on this lot. There will also be two decks, one in the front and one in the back. The one in the front will be 10' x 12' and the one in the back will be 14', x 18'. The decks will be setback 100' or more as well.

The application was represented by Brooklyn Wensauer.

The audience was polled with Jeff Thommes speaking against the variance and indicated that there are currently no houses on the lake and everyone meets the 200' setback. It's one of the only lakes left with nobody on the lake and I purposely moved there for that reason and I want to keep it that way. Jim Myrvold spoke against the variance because 100' is too close and it's the last lake with a public access with no homes. Debbie Walters spoke against the variance request indicating that it's too big of a variance and the biggest concern is creating major run-off to the lake because of the bluff and when they build the structure and decks there will be nothing left to absorb the rainwater. Wayne Walters indicated that when he bought his property, he was told that the County has a rule of a minimum of 5 Acres to build on. An email from Laverne Walberg in opposition to the variance was read for the record, an email from Gail Nordstrom opposing the variance request was read for the record and an email from Jeremy Crice was read for the record opposing the variance request.

After consideration and discussion, a motion by Rick Wilson, seconded by Douglas Larson and unanimously carried to approve the variance to construct a new dwelling with attached garage and 2 decks as indicated in the variance application dated May 21, 2019 with the condition that the proposal needs to be setback 150' from the ordinary high-water level and based on the Findings of Fact and Decision Form, which contains the criteria reviewed and the Board's finding have been attached to and incorporated as an official part of the minutes which has been placed on file with the Land & Resource Management Department. Hardship/practical difficulty is the unique shape of the lot. The variance as approved does not directly or indirectly grant any other variances from proposed or future development.

Jeffrey Rowe & Dale & Marilyn Nelson – Variance Application Approved with Condition (8:47 p.m.)

Jeffrey Rowe & Dale & Marilyn Nelson, Lot 6 Block 3 – Echo Ranch Riviera 5th Addn in Otter Tail Township, request the following: 1. We want our cabin inline with our neighbors east and west. We are requesting to be 47' from OHWL. Required is 75'. 2 We would like to increase maximum allowable impervious surface from 25% to 27.9%. Currently it is 38.52%

The application was represented by Dale & Marilyn Nelson.

The audience was polled with no one speaking for or against the variance as requested. A letter from Jayden Veil in support of the variance request was read for the record and an email from Joel & Roxanne Cason in support of the variance was also read for the record.

After consideration and discussion, a motion by Rick Wilson, seconded by Thomas Lee and unanimously carried to approve a variance of 47' from the ordinary high-water level for a new dwelling with the condition that the impervious surface coverage cannot exceed 25% and based on the Findings of Fact and Decision Form, which contains the criteria reviewed and the Board's findings have been attached to and incorporated as an official part of the minutes which has been placed on file with the Land & Resource

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Management Department. It was noted that the proposal is a great improvement to the property. The variance as approved does not directly or indirectly grant any other variances from proposed or future development.

Gerald & Shirley Smith – Variance Application Approved as Requested (8:57 p.m.)

Gerald & Shirley Smith, Pt of GL 3 Com SW Cor... in Otter Tail Township, request the following: 1. We want our cabin inline with Building line setback behind 50' impact zone. An existing cabin was moved off the site in fall of 2018 (it was in the 50' impact zone). Requesting to be 57' from the OHWL with the new dwelling, 75' is required. Requesting 50' form the OHWL with the new deck, 75' is required.

The application was represented by Darold Woessner, Woessner Construction and Gerald & Shirley Smith. The audience was polled with no one speaking for or against the variance as requested.

After consideration and discussion, Steve Schierer made a motion, seconded by Douglas Larson to approve the variance request to construct a new dwelling 57' from the ordinary high-water level and to be 50' from the ordinary high-water level with a new deck and based on the Findings of Fact and Decision Form, which contains the criteria reviewed and the Board's findings have been attached to and incorporated as an official part of the minutes which has been placed on file with the Land & Resource Management Department. It was noted that the proposed dwelling will be setback further than the existing dwelling. The variance as approved does not directly or indirectly grant any other variances from proposed or future development.

Michael P. Casey – Variance Application Approved as Requested (9:04 p.m.)

Michael P. Casey, Lot 7 of South Point W BL in Girard Township, request the following: Full replacement of existing cabin, shed and patio with a new 2 story structure not to exceed the 25% of maximum allowable impervious surface (proposed = 22%). Proposed development will not exceed 35' height maximum, will utilize existing footprint, and will be no closer to the OHWL than existing development.

The application was represented by Michael & Sharon Casey. The audience was polled with no one speaking for or against the variance as requested. A letter from Doug & Karen Brewers in support of the variance request.

After consideration and discussion, Thomas Lee made a motion, seconded by Kenneth Vorderbruggen and unanimously carried to approve the variance as requested in the application dated May 22, 2019 and as depicted on the drawing submitted with the application and based on the Findings of Fact and Decision Form, which contains the criteria reviewed and the Board's findings have been attached to and incorporated as an official part of the minutes which has been placed on file with the Land & Resource Management Department. The variance as approved does not directly or indirectly grant any other variances from proposed or future development. Hardship/practical difficulty is the property is a substandard lot. It was noted that the shed and parking space will be removed, and the proposal is consistent with the surrounding properties.

Gregory & Niki Gjere – Variance Application Approved with a Condition (9:10 p.m.)

Gregory & Niki Gjere, Lot 1 Moe's Second Addition to Woodland Park and that Part of GL 1 in Girard Township, request the following: Decrease existing total impervious surface from 43.5% to 32.28%. Proposing to increase OHWL setback from 30' to 42'. Requesting a Variance of 58' from the OHWL to be at 42' from the OHWL to be at 42' from the OHWL. Proposing to decrease existing S.I.Z. impervious from 748 sq. ft. to 384 Sq. ft. The allowed S.I.Z. impervious is 260 sq. ft. Requesting a 5' Variance from the pump tank to the dwelling. The required setback is 10'. Requesting a Variance of 5' from the pump tank to the lot line. The required setback is 10'. Requesting a Variance of 25' for the pump tank to be 50' from the OHWL. The required setback is 75'

The application was represented by Gregory Gjere. The audience was polled with no one speaking for or against the variance as requested.

After consideration and discussion, Darren Newville made a motion, seconded by Thomas Lee and unanimously carried to approve the variance as requested in the application dated May 22, 2019 and as depicted on the drawing submitted with the application with the condition that the impervious surface coverage cannot exceed 30% and based on the Findings of Fact and Decision Form, which contains the criteria reviewed and the Board's finding have been attached to and incorporated as an official part of the minutes which has been placed on file with the Land & Resource Management Department. Hardship/practical difficulty is the lot is substandard in size being 69' x 125'. The variance as approved does not directly or indirectly grant any other variances from proposed or future development. It was noted that this proposal gives positive improvements to the lot and the existing cabin is in need of replacement.

Jane Adams Mathewson, Et Al – Variance Application Approved as Requested (9:20 p.m.)

Jane Adams Mathewson, Et Al, SEly 145' SWly 215' NWly 109.2' NEly 170' to Beg in Hobart Township, request the following: Wish to build an 8'6" x 22' addition to porch. Required setback is 100 ft. current structure is at 57', addition would also be roughly 57' from OHWL. Addition to be in line with current porch.

The application was represented by Richard (Dick) Mathewson. The audience was polled with no one speaking for or against the variance as requested.

After consideration and discussion, Darren Newville made a motion, seconded by Douglas Larson and unanimously carried to approve the variance as presented to build an 8'6" x 22' addition to the porch being 57' from the ordinary high-water level and based on the Findings of Fact and Decision Form, which contains the criteria reviewed and the Board's findings have been attached to and incorporated as an official part of the minutes which has been placed on file with the Land & Resource Management Department. The variance as approved does not directly or indirectly grant any other variances from proposed or future development.

Bruce & Joseph Johnson – Variance Application Approved as Requested with a Condition (9:28 p.m.)

Bruce & Joseph Johnson, Pt GL 2... in Fergus Falls Township, request the following: Ordinance requires 200' setback from the lake. My lot is too small to meet this setback. I am requesting a 100 foot variance to place my house at 100' from lake (OHWL). If the variance is approved, an Interim Use Permit will be applied for to convert existing dwelling into a storage structure.

The application was represented by Bruce Johnson & Joseph Johnson. The audience was polled with no one speaking for or against the variance as requested.

After consideration and discussion, Steve Schierer made a motion, seconded by Thomas Lee and unanimously carried to approve the variance request to place a dwelling 100' from the ordinary high-water level contingent upon the Planning Commission granting an Interim Use Permit for the existing dwelling and based on the Findings of Fact and Decision Form, which contains the criteria reviewed and the Board's finding have been attached to and incorporated as an official part of the minutes which has been placed on file with the Land & Resource Management Department. Hardship/practical difficulty is the property is substandard and they can't meet the 200' setback. The variance as approved does not directly or indirectly grant any other variances from proposed or future development.

Gregory Ballard - Variance Application Approved as Requested (9:38 p.m.)

Gregory Ballard, Lot 1 Blk 2 of Ballard Woods in Dunn Township, request the following: Ordinance requires 200' setback from the the subdivision controls ordinance, to allow Gregory R. Ballard to deed Lot 1 Block 2 of Ballard Woods, to Ryan Tonsfeldt and Michelle Tonsfeldt, owners of Lot 9 of Second Addition to Broadwater Beach (17000990556000) and permanently attached, as is Lot 2, Block 2 of Ballard Woods. The plat of Ballard Woods, stated that Lot 1, Block 2 of Ballard Woods to be permanently attached to Lot 10 of Second Addition to Broadwater Beach, but the owner of that property declined to purchase that backlot.

The application was represented by Gregory Ballard. The audience was polled with no one speaking for or against the variance as requested.

After consideration and discussion, Steve Schierer made a motion, seconded by Darren Newville and unanimously carried to approve the variance as requested in the Variance Application dated May 23, 2019 and as depicted on the drawing submitted with the Variance Application and based on the Findings of Fact and Decision Form, which contains the criteria reviewed and the Board's

findings have been attached to and incorporated as an official part of the minutes which has been placed on file with the Land & Resource Management Department. The variance as approved does not directly or indirectly grant any other variances from proposed or future development. It was noted that the proposed buyer for the backlot backed out of the purchase.

Damon Fick – Variance Application Approved with Conditions (9:43 p.m.)

Damon Fick, Lot 2 Block 1 – Gulliver's Travels 1st Addition in Edna Township, request the following: Proposed revisions from the proposal on May 9, 2019 are 1) Accurate structure size of 28ft. x 48ft. was used instead of estimate 50ft x 30ft. 2) Screen porch was removed, and deck was reduced to 10ft wide, and 3) Septic drain field system was replaced with 2500 gal. holding tank. Proposed detached garage will be 10' from Road Right-of-Way and proposed dwelling will be up to (0') from Road Right-of-Way. Required setback to Road Right-of-Way is 20'. The proposed 10' x 30' Deck will be 9.2' into the Bluff Impact Zone.

Damon Fick – Continued

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The application was represented by Damon Fick. The audience was polled with no one speaking for or against the variance as requested. After consideration and discussion, Darren Newville made a motion, second by Thomas Lee and unanimously carried to table with the verbal permission of the applicant at this public hearing until the June 13, 2019 meeting of the Board of Adjustment so the applicant can provide a new proposal. The new proposal needs to be received at Land & Resource Management by May 23, 2019 to re-notify the public. It was noted that there were too many variances being requested and would like to see the proposed project be located 30' from the top of the bluff.

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The application was represented by Damon Fick.

The audience was polled with no one speaking for or against the variance as requested. A letter received at the meeting from Edna Township, Dennis Sazama in opposition was read for the record.

After consideration and discussion, a motion by Steve Schierer, seconded by Rick Wilson and carried with Darren Newville voting no, to approve the variance to construct a 28' x 48' New Dwelling being 5' from the Road Right-of-Way and 5' into the bluff impact zone with the condition that the deck on the dwelling cannot be constructed but the Board will allow a patio to be in the Bluff Impact Zone and a variance for the detached garage being 10' from the Road Right-of-Way and based on the Findings of Fact and Decision Form, which contains the criteria reviewed and the Board's finding have been attached to and incorporated as an official part of the minutes which has been placed on file with the Land & Resource Management Department. Hardship/practical difficulty is this lot is a substandard lot of record and the bluff onsite. The variance as approved does not directly or indirectly grant any other variances from proposed or future development. It was noted that this is a shallow lot and the dwelling will be placed on a slab on grade foundation.

With no further business, Steve Schierer, Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 10:07 p.m.

Prepared by:

Amy Busko, Secretary

The minutes were mailed on Thursday, June 27, 2019, to the Otter Tail County Board of Adjustment. Official action regarding these minutes will be taken by the Board of Adjustment at their next regularly scheduled meeting.