

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Adjustment for the City of Grinnell will conduct a public hearing in the City Council Chambers, 927 4th Avenue, Grinnell, Iowa at 12:00 Noon, Friday, July 8, 2016.

Minutes of the Board of Adjustment

Appeal 16-1

12:00 Noon: July 8, 2016

The Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Palmer at 12:00 pm.

Roll Call: Heimann P , Jones P , Kottmeier P , Van Tomme P .

Also Present: Duane Neff. Tyler Avis. Rick Whitney. Rob McClure. Mike Deming.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Chairperson Palmer moved to ask if any changes were to be made, Jean Jones requested to add an additional item dealing with the zoning of the College. Heimann moved to approve the agenda. Kottmeier seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Election of officers for 2016 – Must be completed the first meeting of each calendar year.

Jones moved to nominate Phil Palmer for Chairperson. Heimann seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Heimann moved to nominate Jim Kottmeier as Vice Chairperson. Van Tomme seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Public hearing to discuss appeal (Appeal 16-1) made to the City of Grinnell Board of Adjustment by Grinnell College for a Variance to the Maximum Height allowed for a proposed building located at the Northwest corner of 1101 8th Avenue which is zoned R-3.

Chairperson Palmer opened the floor to the Agents representing the College to present their reasoning for a variance at this location. Whitney opened the discussion and McClure and Deming followed and led a slideshow presentation explaining what hardship exists for a variance to be granted. The Agents argued that because of the historic building materials of the existing structures, and the difficulty that would come about if they were required to attempt to create a seal between the existing exterior stone and the modern building materials of the new addition, over time, rain/water could potentially compromise the integrity of both structures. It was also explained that the proposed construction will also preserve the Historic aspect and integrity of the existing structure.

After the discussion and presentation Jones moved to have a roll call on approving the variance.

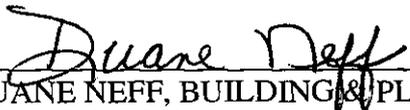
Roll Call: Heimann Y, Jones Y, Kottmeier Y, Van Tomme Y, Palmer Y
The motion passed unanimously.

3. Jones formally petitioned to the Board whether a change in Zoning or the creation of a new zone is of interest to pursue. The Board agreed that it would be. The Board formally petitioned to the City Officials to look into this topic and present it to the City Council.

ADJOURN: Kottmeier moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Heimann. The Motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 12:19pm

PHIL PALMER, CHAIR

ATTEST:


DUANE NEFF, BUILDING & PLANNING DIRECTOR