

Edmeston Municipal Building

Edmeston, Ny 13335

Zoning Board of Appeals

Minutes

April 16th, 2019

Board members present: Jamison Hoyt, Sure Holbert, Tom Madden

- Meeting called to order at 7:15 p.m.

- The meeting opened with discussion in regard to the area variance granted to Ludwig Lorens, of 498 Louie Dickenson Rd. Ludwig has sent in a letter - stating that he intends to comply with the granted area variance of a 45 ft setback. We have sense responded, notifying him that we have received his letter of intent, and to include copies of necessary forms – such as his original permit and the variance findings form - when he applies for his building permit with the county. I have included a copy of our correspondence with one another for public record.

- The board then reviewed Robin Carnrike's application for a use variance - at 964 county highway 20 - for a Venue. After review and discussion it was determined by a majority vote that Robin could only produce 3 of the 4 criteria necessary to grant his use variance. A public hearing has been scheduled for May 21st 2019. I have included copies of his application and the findings forms as well as any correspondence that has taken place.

Determination:

Jamison Hoyt – Nay

Sue Holbert – Nay

Tom Madden – Nay

- With no other business on the docket, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

As chairman of the board of appeals, I would like to go on record, suggesting that the Planning Board carefully evaluate Robin's situation in a thorough manner, and attempt to foresee any possible near sightedness that could have taken place when the zoning laws were recently amended. If for nothing else, to save face for the community members who serve on these boards, and have to explain themselves in regard to any hypocrisy that has and/or could potentially still take place. Someone has developed a section of town, which was otherwise run down. Done so with his own money, and with the intent of going into business. Not for some corporation. Not for some conglomerate of savvy out of town investors. But for himself. So, for some members of the Planning Board to stand in a public hearing last year, and sell the idea of that very thing in support of proposed amendments – it would be a little near sighted of them, to think it ok of me, to sign my name on a document suggesting otherwise. I understand my position, and that my duty here is to interpret the law as it's written. I have done that, and will continue to do so. But if we can avoid another legal hell storm, and increase tax revenue for our community while doing it – then why wouldn't we? I just think it's time to look at the bigger picture. We can't shoot ourselves in the foot and then ask why we're bleeding anymore! That being said, I apologize if my words were taken abrasively. It was not my internet. Thank you

Jamison Hoyt

Chairman: Zoning Board of Appeals