

SAUK COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Thursday, October 27, 2022

County Board Room/Gallery
West Square Building

PRESENT: R. Meier, R. Klitzke, D. Allen, J. Evert

ABSENT: J. Phephles

OTHERS PRESENT: T. Hillman, B. Simmert, R. Meyer,

Call to order and certify compliance with open meetings law

Chair R. Meier called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and certified that the meeting is noticed in compliance with open meeting law.

Adopt agenda

Motion by Allen/Klitzke to adopt the October 27, 2022, Agenda. Motion carried, unanimously.

Adopt minutes of previous meeting – September 29, 2022

Chair Meier called for a motion to adopt the minutes from the September 29, 2022, meeting. Motion by Klitzke/Evert to adopt the minutes from the September 29, 2022, BOA meeting. Motion carried, unanimously.

Communications

No communications were reported.

APPEALS:

Chair Meier announced the process for the public hearing portion. Public hearing called to order at 9:02 a.m.

Petition 20-22. A petition to consider a variance request pursuant to s. 7.129 for a use variance to allow for a ground sign in Exclusive Agriculture Zoning and s. 7.129(7)(c) to vary the maximum height of a ground sign. The variance request is associated with land described as part of the SE ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 22, Township 11 North, Range 06 East, tax parcel 034-0420-00000, Town of Sumpter, Sauk County, WI.

T. Hillmann provided the staff report, background and history. Town of Sumpter Plan commission and Town board recommends approval of the variance. Sauk County LRE also recommends approval of the variance.

Applicant, Jacob Franzen, provided information regarding the request to the BOA members. The Ski-Hi apple orchard sign has been in place for many decades and since USH 12 has been reconstructed the sign sits too low for travelers of USH 12 to see the sign. The variance is requested to extend the sign height so it can be seen from both directions of travel on USH 12.

Chair Meier closed the hearing at 9:10 a.m.

Motion by Allen/Evert to approve Petition 20-2022 for a variance to allow for a ground sign in Exclusive Agriculture Zoning and s. 7.129(7)(c) to vary the maximum height of a ground sign based upon the findings of fact and conclusion of law, subject to the staff analysis and recommend conditions as noted within the staff report. Motion carried, unanimously.

Next meeting date – Thursday, November 17, 2022

Meier called for a motion to adjourn. Motion by Klitzke/Allen to adjourn the meeting at 9:12 a.m. Motion carried, unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Evert, Secretary