

Zoning Adjustment Board
March 31, 2021
6:00 p.m.

The Zoning Adjustments Board met on March 31, 2021 at 6: 00p.m with Chairman Kelvin Kopp presiding for a Public Hearing. Board members present were Mary Nelsen, Ardith Harris, Max Smith, David Christianson and Chair, Kelvin Kopp. Also in attendance were Justin Hockenberry, Duane Murphy, Kathie Mailander, Tom Simpson, Kristi Simpson and Jim Mailander. In order to help stop the spread of the COVID-19 virus, a Public Hearing of the Anita City Zoning Adjustments Board was held at City Hall while also utilizing the electronic platform zoom. Chapter 21.8 of the Iowa Code does permit an electronic meeting where all members participate remotely when an in-person meeting is impossible or impractical, which is certainly true during this crisis. On March 19, 2020, Governor Reynolds issued a proclamation of Disaster Emergency which included a suspension of Iowa laws that would prevent the use of electronic meetings or the limitation on the number of people present at an in-person meeting site. The Public Hearing notice was posted and published in advance to give instructions on how others could participate in the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00p.m. A written request from Tom and Kristi Simpson was presented to request a variance to allow a waiver of the zoning district's minimum lot size for a parcel to split (10 acres) and review waiver or relaxation of any minimum side, front, rear yard widths or setbacks necessary in light of a planned development of a single-family residence as stated in the City of Anita Code of Ordinance.

There was discussion on the request being made. Duane Murphy wanted to make sure the Simpson's understand that they have large trucks and traffic daily. No other written comments or oral comments were received from the public.

Motion by David Christianson; second by Max Smith to approve Resolution 2021-01, Waiver of the A-1 Zoning District's minimum lot size (10 acres) and review and waiver or relaxation of any minimum side, front, rear yard widths, or setbacks necessary in light of planned development of a single-family residence. Ayes: Ardith Harris, Mary Nelson, Max Smith, Kelvin Kopp, Dave Christianson. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Chairman, Kelvin Kopp

ATTEST:

Kaitlin Hodges, City Clerk