

**BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT – Harlan, Iowa – 03/30/2021**

The Board of Adjustment of the City of Harlan met pursuant to law and the rules of said Board in special session in the Council Chambers in City Hall at Noon on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of March 2021. Chairman Christensen called the meeting to order, and the following members were:

**Present:** Mike Christensen, Jennifer Kelly, Doug Hammer, Al Ickes, Ruthanne Grimsley

**Absent:** None

**Also Present:** Zoning Administrator Gene Gettys, Board Secretary Renee Hansen & Roger Bissen

It was moved by Ickes and seconded by Hammer that the agenda be approved.

Christensen asked that any conflicts of interest be stated.

It was moved by Grimsley and seconded by Kelly to approve the minutes from the 11/05/2021 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

**Chairperson Christensen announced that this was the date, time, and place for the public hearings regarding:**

- a. **CASE BA2021-001** – an application by Application by Laverne & Karin Will, 1105 Park St. for a 4’ building variance.

**Motion to open** meeting by Hammer and seconded by Ickes. Motion carried.

No objections were filed with City Hall.

**Petitioner:** Not present

**Gettys Zoning Admin:** explain per R-2 zoning the side yard set back is 6’. The building permit was denied because the applicant wants to place the garage addition to within 2’ of the side yard property line.

**Neighboring property owners: None**

It was moved by Grimsley and seconded by Hammer to close the public hearing. Motion carried.

It was moved by Ickes and was seconded by Grimsley to approve the application as presented.

Roll Call vote was had which was as follows:

Ayes: Christensen, Hammer, Grimsley, Ickes, Kelly

Nays: None

The motion carried.

Board of Adjustment fees. Gettys shared that Council will be voting on a change of the Board of Adjustment fees due to cost the City must spend to organize the hearings that come before this commission. The commission shared their thoughts, agreeing that this fees should be increased.

Gettys shared information about a conference he attended regarding Board of Adjustment and granting variances.

Meeting adjourned.

There being no further business, the meeting on motion adjourned.

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Renee Hansen, Secretary

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Mike Christensen, Chairperson

*These minutes are as recorded by the Secretary and are subject to Board approval at the next called meeting.*