

**MINUTES  
PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE  
SAWYER COUNTY BOARD OF APPEAL  
Tuesday October 15, 2019 at 6PM**

**Board of Appeals**

Al Gerber, Chairman  
Laura Rusk  
Mark Olson  
Steve Kelsey  
Jim Tiffany

**Zoning Administration**

Jay Kozlowski, Zoning & Conservation Administrator  
Pat Brown, Assistant Zoning Administrator

**PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

- 1) Call to Order and Roll Call  
Gerber called the Public Hearing before the Sawyer County Zoning Board of Appeals to order at 6:00 P.M. in the Sawyer County Courthouse, 10610 Main St., Hayward, Wisconsin. Roll is called finding present: Gerber, Rusk, Olson, Kelsey and Tiffany. Kozlowski and Brown were present from the Zoning office.
- 2) Statement of Board and Hearing Procedures.  
Those wishing to speak will be afforded the opportunity provided they identify themselves. Gerber gave order of submitting files to BOA, taking testimony, and making a decision. He requests orderly procedure and gives appeal deadline.
- 3) Statement of Hearing Notice.  
The Public Hearing Notice was published as a Class 2 Notice in accordance with Chapter 985 of the Wisconsin Statutes in the Sawyer County Record and Gazette.

1) Town of Edgewater - #19-008; Craig & Lisa Longacre. Woodland Park, Lot 6; S19, T37N, R09W; Parcel #008-192-00-0600; .268 Total Acres; Zoned Residential/Recreational One (RR-1). Application is for the construction of a 24' x 24' (26' x 25' with eaves) attached garage on a proposed 24' x 80' house including a covered porch and attached storage area. The proposed attached garage area and storage area is the portion needing the variance approval. The attached garage would be 34.5' at the closest point to the centerline of Maple Terrace Drive, a Town road and 24' at the closest point to the road right-of-way. Variance requested as: Section 4.21 (3) Setback Requirements on Highways and Roads, Sawyer County Zoning Ordinance, would require the prior granting of a variance for any structure located closer than 63' to the centerline of a Town Road or 30' from the right-of-way, whichever is greater. The centerline setback is greater. Kozlowski reads the application, Staff Report, Town approval, and Opinion letters. Craig Longacre, owner speaks in approval of the application and distributes handouts. Discussion with Board held. Bert Darrah speaks in opposition of the application. Barbara Darrah speaks in opposition. Steve Longacre speaks in opposition. Linda Zillmer, Edgewater property owner speaks in opposition and submits handout. No other audience comment. Discussion held. Motion by Olson to deny the application as it did not pass the 3-step test., Second by Rusk. Discussion held. Findings of Fact: No unique property limitation. It would be damaging to public interest based on cumulative effects. Runoff issues of the property. It is for the convenience of the owner. All in favor 5 to 0 to deny.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- 1) Approval of 2020 meeting dates. Kozlowski hands out the proposed calendar. Discussion held. Motion by Gerber to change the Board of Appeals meeting from April 21, 2020 to April 28, 2020. All in favor. 5 to 0.
- 2) Discussion held by Board and Kozlowski regarding engineered plans on Variance applications.
- 3) Any other business that may come before the Board for discussion. None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Olson, second by Gerber to adjourn. All in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes by Pat Brown, Assistant Zoning Administrator and Kathy Marks, Deputy Zoning & Conservation Administrator