

**DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**  
**Wednesday, February 24, 2021, 10:00 a.m., Government Center Board Room 201**  
**1316 North 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Superior, Wisconsin**

Meeting called to order by Chair, Bob Martin.

**ROLL CALL:** Present – Larry Luostari, Gary Saari, Larry Kappes, Bob Martin, Sam Jones. Others present – Terri Luebbe, Tessah Behlings, Marissa Hanson, Dan Corbin, Nicole Birchmeier, Larry Block, Bill Wagner, Kaci Jo Lundgren (Committee Clerk).

**ANNOUNCEMENT/CONFIRMATION OF PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS:** Role and conduct of the Board and confirmation read. The Zoning Office confirms that state law and Douglas County Ordinance procedural requirements for this hearing have been met. This includes proper advertisement and notification to the towns and adjoining property owners.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**#21-01) David & Nicole Birchmeier, South Range, Wi – Use Variance to allow for two access driveways on one parcel, located in Lot 6, Lundquist 1st Addition to Lyman Lake, Section 22, T46N-R13W (8715 S Lyman Lake Rd, OA-022-01250-00), Town of Oakland.**

Applicant (Birchmeier) present; current driveway has blind spots and will be relocated for safety concerns. Due to placement of mound system, rest of property inaccessible; requires additional driveway to access.

**ACTION:** Motion by Saari, second Luostari, to approve application because hardship is present due to the topography of the land, location of mound system, and safety factors of driveway. Applicant to contact DNR about potential wetland permit for second driveway. Roll call vote taken and passed with 5 – Yes, 0 – No, 0 – Absent.

**#21-02) Karen (Sackette) Thielman, Superior, Wi – Area Variance to allow for an attached garage with second level bedroom addition within the minimum setback requirement of 63 feet from the centerline or 30 feet from the right of way line of a platted road, whichever is greater, within the 30 foot minimum front lot line setback requirement, and within the 75 foot minimum setback requirement of the ordinary high water mark of Amnicon Lake, located in Lots 12, 13 & 14 of Island View Addition to Amnicon Lake, Section 13, T46N-14W; (8038 Island View Road, SU-028-01561-00, 01562-00, 01563-00) in the Town of Summit.**

Applicant's building contractor present. Parcel is a peninsula, which does not provide enough area to meet any setback requirements. Proposed location of garage already considered impervious surface; combining parcel with adjacent parcels allows for the additional impervious surface from proposed garage (approximately 488 square feet) with mitigation.

**ACTION:** Motion by Luostari, second Jones, to approve application because hardship is present due to the size and location of the property (peninsula), with a home located there for many

years. It is not contrary to public interest because the garage will not be unsightly. Roll call vote taken with 5 – Yes, 0 – No, 0 – Absent.

*Public hearing adjourned at 10:58 a.m.*

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion by Luostari, second Jones, to approve December 16, 2020, minutes. Motion carried.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:** Corporation Counsel opinion on past precedence of variance approvals for a garage.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Luostari, second Saari, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

Submitted by,

Kaci Jo Lundgren, Committee Clerk