Jones County Board of Adjustment

Meeting Minutes

January 16, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.

Members present:

Cindy Hall, Chairperson Paul Thomsen John Hinz

Members absent:

Stan Reiter Roger Kisler

Staff present:

Whitney Hein – Jones County Auditor Whitney Amos – Land Use Administrator

Visitors present:

Ned Rohwedder Brad VanFossen

Chairperson Cindy Hall called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Introductions of the Board and visitors took place.

Motion by Thomsen seconded by Hinz to approve the agenda and December 19, 2023, meeting minutes with corrections. All aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Hinz seconded by Thomsen to open the public hearing at 4:04 p.m. for applicant Cory & Misty Vanfossen, who have applied for a Special Permitted Use for a parcel within the Agricultural district described as Catlett's 1st Add Lot 1 containing 1.91 acres (parcel 14-07-100-007) in Section 07 of Rome Township. The request for a Home-Based business would allow Mr. Vanfossen to rebuild automotive vehicles. The Home-Based Business regulations are within Article VII within the Jones County Zoning Ordinance. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Amos noted the Board received copies of the application, aerial map, and written report. The owner/applicant also received a copy of the written report as required. Amos noted the adjacent landowner certified letter was received. No written or verbal comments were received on the application.

Brad Vanfossen was in attendance on behalf of Owner Cory & Misty VanFossen. Brad did give a brief overview of Cory's intentions to buy salvage titled vehicles to rebuild them and sell them. The building that he would be utilizing is an existing building.

The septic system is a concern as it is quite old and there has not been an inspection on it as of yet. Brad was advised by the Board to have Cory get the septic inspected and continue to be in contact with Paula Hart-Jones County Sanitarian.

It was also noted that if the business does decide to put up a sign, that they will need to conform with the Jones County Zoning Ordinance for signage.

Motion by Hinz seconded by Thomsen to close the public hearing at 4:10 p.m. All Aye. Motion Carried.

Motion by Thomsen seconded by Hinz to approve the Special Permitted Use application for applicant/owners, Cory and Misty VanFossen who have applied for a Special Permitted Use for a Home-based industry in the A-Agricultural Zoning District for property located in Section 7 of Rome Township generally located at 18632 55th St., Anamosa.

Roll call vote: Thomsen- Aye Hinz-Aye Hall – Aye

All Aye. Motion Carried.

The application is approved. The Land Use Administrator will issue the approval to the owner and applicant. The red zoning sign has been returned.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 20, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. Application deadline is Wednesday, January 31, 2024.

Motion by Hinz seconded by Thomsen to adjourn at 4:14p.m. All Aye. Motion Carried.