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**MINUTES  
CITY OF DUBUQUE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT  
REGULAR SESSION**

5:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 20, 2018

City Council Chamber, Historic Federal Building

**Board Members Present:** Chairperson Jonathan McCoy; Board Members Keith Ahlvin and Bethany Golombeski; Staff Members Guy Hemenway, Kyle Kritz, and Travis Schrobilgen.

**Board Members Excused:** Board Member Joyce Pope and Jeff Cremer

**Board Members Unexcused:** None.

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Chairperson McCoy at 5:00 p.m.

**AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLIANCE:** Staff presented an Affidavit of Compliance verifying that the meeting was being held in compliance with the Iowa Open Meetings Law.

**MINUTES:** Motion McCoy, seconded by Golombeski, to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2018 Zoning Board of Adjustment meeting. Motion carried by the following vote: Aye – Ahlvin and Golombeski; Abstain - McCoy.

**Docket 50-18 Appeal:** Eric McSperrin regarding storage of vehicles and materials on a residential lot for other than residents of the premises.

Staff Member Hemenway noted that he was contacted by Mr. McSperrin shortly before the meeting asking that the Board table his request to the next regular meeting because he was ill.

Board Chair McCoy said that he felt the request should be heard and not tabled. Board Members discussed the request to table. Board members decided to hear the appeal but debated how to phrase the motion so as to accurately reflect the Board's intention regarding the disposition of the appeal. After further discussion, the Board decided to table the request.


Motion McCoy, seconded by Golombeski, to table the appeal of Planning Staff's interpretation regarding storage of vehicles and materials on a residential lot for other than residents of the premises with the condition that the Board will review the request and

proceed with the vote at the next regular meeting. Motion carried by the following vote:  
Aye, Ahlvin, Golombeski and McCoy; Nay – None.

**ITEMS FROM BOARD:** Board Chair McCoy asked for clarification regarding the result of D41-18 Special Exception request to allow a 6' high fence in the front yard and an 8' high fence in the side yard of the property located at 3953 Excelsior Street. Board Members and Planning Staff discussed the issue and agreed that there was some confusion as to the ultimate result of the request. Board Member Ahlvin referenced his notes and stated that he believed the request was approved by a vote of 4 to 0 with the condition that the fence be neighbor-friendly (the good side of the fence facing the adjacent residential property). Board Members and Planning Staff agreed that Mr. Ahlvin's notes accurately reflected the Board's final decision.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Guy Hemenway, Associate Planner

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Adopted