

**MINUTES
MCMINNVILLE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
APRIL 28, 2015**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jim Brock
Jerry Williamson
Tom Ward

STAFF PRESENT

Rebecca Duncan, Planning and
Zoning Assistant
David Starnes, City Planner

MEMBER ABSENT

David Marttala
Joey Haston

OTHERS PRESENT

Lisa Hobbs, Southern Standard
David Williams
Brad Bolding
Bobby Adams
Janice Foster
Carl McGuinness
Sally Steakley

Public Hearing

A public hearing was opened at 11:30 a.m. by the McMinnville Board of Zoning Appeals concerning David Williams' special exception request to allow a place of assembly on his property at 990 Old Smithville Road. More specifically, Mr. Williams stated that he wanted to rehabilitate an old barn on the property so as it could be used to hold wedding ceremonies. In reviewing his request, City Planner David Starnes stated that the city's zoning code allows, as a special exception, places of assembly in the R-3 High Density Residential District, in which the property is located. However, the use for which Mr. Williams is requesting the special exception is not specifically mentioned, which is probably due to its uniqueness and seasonal nature. Some of the residents in attendance at the board's hearing did express concern about the cleanliness of the property in regard to safety and as to whether it would meet parking requirements for this type of land use. However, none of the residents were opposed to this use in general. After further discussion with Mr. Williams about his request, and his addressing the concerns of the local residents about safety and parking issues, the hearing was closed at 11:43 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MARCH 31, 2015 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Following the public hearing, and the board of zoning appeals meeting being called to order, a motion was made by Tom Ward to dispense with reading and approve the minutes from March 31, 2015 Board of Zoning Appeals meeting as presented. Jim Brock seconded the motion that was approved unanimously.

REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF DAVID WILLIAMS' SPECIAL EXCEPTION REQUEST

After further discussion of David Williams' special exception request, Tom Ward made a motion that it be granted subject to meeting the requirements of all applicable provisions


as found in the city's zoning code, which would include safety and parking regulations. Jim Brock seconded the motion with the members voting all ayes.

REVIEW AND ADOPTION---BY-LAWS FOR THE MCMINNVILLE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

City Planner David Starnes stated that the by-laws the members received could be adopted with the noting of the regular meeting time being prior to the planning commission on the last Tuesday of each month at 11:30 a.m. After a brief discussion concerning the by-laws, Tom Ward made a motion, seconded by Jim Brock, that they be adopted. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business, Jim Brock made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:44 a.m. Tom Ward seconded the motion with the members voting all ayes.

Chairperson Signature  _____

Secretary Signature _____

Date Approved: _____