

The Public Hearing Minutes of the City of Swisher, Iowa Board of Adjustments was called to order at 1903 hours by Chair Eugene Beard in the council chambers of the Swisher City Hall at 66 Second Street SW, Swisher, Iowa on October 9, 2014.

Members Present were Dean Sturtz, Ron Riggle, Daryl Gear and Eugene Beard. Also present were applicant Judy Nicholls and citizen Wendy Shelton.

The agenda was approved on the motion of Gear and second of Riggle.

Minutes of the May 8, 2014 Public Hearing was approved on the motion of Sturtz and second of Gear.

No comments from citizens were heard.

Public Hearing on the application of Judy Nicholls for the property at 112 First St SE at which she requested a variance for the side yard to the south to be approved at five feet and the side yard to the west to be ten feet as opposed to the required fifteen feet. All members had previously visited the property. A letter from Christopher Taylor, Mayor of Swisher was entered into the minutes. Mayor Taylor expressed his opinion that due to the nature of the usage of the proposed structure, limitations due to the size of the lot and that the existing structures were erected under the previous building codes this presented a true hardship for Judy Nicholls. Members clarified to Wendy Shelton the issues involved and she indicated she did not have any problems with the changes to the side yard setbacks. On the motion of Gear and second of Riggle the Board of Adjustment approved the application of Judy Nicholls for reduced side yard setbacks indicating they believed the configuration of the property created a hardship for the applicant and it was in the best interest of the City of Swisher and the residents of the structure for the garage to be built in the location requested.

No further comments were heard.

Meeting was adjourned at 1908 hours on the motion of Riggle and second of Gear.

Minutes recorded by and submitted by Eugene Beard