

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Weiers calls the meeting to order at 6pm with the following members present: John Weiers, Deanna Soderberg, Chris Carlson, Amy Birnbaum, and Steve Johnson. Absent members: Kendal Braun
Zoning staff present: Keenan Hayes, Jessica Sonstebly

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

Chair Weiers led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

JULY 28TH, 2025 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Lueck makes a motion to approve the minutes and is seconded by Mr. Carlson to approve the July 28th, 2025 Special Planning Commission and Board of Adjustments meeting as presented.
Motion Carried unanimously 6-0

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST BY SHARON OSBORN FOR A VARIANCE

Mr. Hayes reads the staff report.

The applicant is not present.

No written comments.

Public comment 6:03pm opens and closes.

No public comment.

The board had no discussion.

Chair Weiers asked Mr. Hayes where the new septic will be going. Mr. Hayes states a septic system has not been proposed. The applicant just wants to split the property and sell it.

Mr. Lueck makes a motion to approve the request as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Carlson.

Vote 6-0. Motion Passes

CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST BY SHARON OSBORN FOR A VARIANCE

Mr. Hayes reads the staff report.

The applicant is not present.

No written comments.

Public comment 6:06pm opens and closes.

No public comments.

The board had no discussion.

Mr. Carlson makes a motion to approve the request as submitted. Seconded by Ms. Birnbaum.

Vote 6-0. Motion Passes

CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST BY DAVID JUREK FOR A VARIANCE

Mr. Hayes reads the staff report.

No written comments.

Mr. Scott Ash; 15149 100th Ave, Milaca; explains that he wants to sell part of his land to the neighbor north of his property that doesn't have road frontage off Hwy 23.

Public comment 6:04pm opens and closes.

No public comments.

The board had no discussion.

Mr. Lueck makes a motion to approve the request as submitted. Seconded by Ms. Soderberg.

Vote 6-0. Motion Passes

CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST BY TODD DUNBAR FOR A VARIANCE

Mr. Hayes reads the staff report.

Todd Dunbar is present; 45709 Hickory St, Isle, MN 56342. He explains his request is to add a deck towards the lake to the single-family dwelling to make the dwelling uniform, and he wishes to take

down the garage to rebuild it larger to store his boat.

Mr. Hayes states that the application and zoning staff were not aware that his intentions were to take down the garage completely and rebuild. Mr. Hayes says a new variance request would have to be submitted with a new application if he chooses to take down the garage and re-build with a request to reduce setbacks from the OWHM of Mile Lacs Lake and the North property line. The board asks for clarification on the staff recommendation. Mr. Hayes states that staff recommends denial of any addition increasing the nonconformity to the lake. Zoning staff are recommending an OWHM setback reduction of forty feet and not twenty-five, to avoid increasing the non-conformity. The board discusses options with the applicant on the placement of his new garage and if he is okay with the staff recommendations. Ms. Birnbaum wants clarification on the new location of the septic system and if patios require setbacks. Mr. Hayes explains that patios do need to meet the required setbacks and there isn't a setback to any wetlands.

No Written comment.

Public comment opens 6:36pm

Carolyn Morris; 4251 456th St Isle, is concerned about the wetland and if, when they build, will the wetland cause flooding on her property.

The board reassures her that the proposed addition will not be an issue with her property.

Public Comment closes at 6:37pm

The board discussed the proposed additions, the ROW being vacated, setbacks to the north property line and the staff recommendations.

Ms. Birnbaum makes a motion to approve the request as staff recommends. Seconded by Mr. Lueck.

Vote 6-0. Motion Passes

CONSIDERATION OF REQUEST BY MILLE LACS COUNTY FOR DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE AMENDMENT REGARDING VARIANCES

Chair Weirs reads the staff report.

No written comments.

Public comment 7:03pm opens and closes. No public comments.

The board had no discussion.

Mr. Johnson makes a motion to approve the request as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Carlson.

Vote 6-0. Motion Passes

OTHER BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. Johnson makes a motion to adjourn at 7:04 pm and is seconded by Mr. Carlson

Motion carried unanimously 6-0