

Town of Griffith
Board of Zoning Appeals
February 17, 2020

The Board of Zoning Appeals meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman John Mowery with members Carl Kus, and Ray Elbaor, and Tom Wichlinski. Also present was Town Council Liaison; Larry Ballah, Town Attorney; Joseph Svetanoff, and Building Commissioner; Steve McDermott. Absent was member Theresa Rivas.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. Wichlinski made a motion that all members shall retain their current positions *seconded by Mr. Kus*. Mr. Mowery; Chairman, Mr. Kus; Vice Chairman, and Secretary; Tom Wichlinski. *All favored, motion carried.*

The minutes from the October 21, 2019 Board of Zoning Appeals meeting were approved as written.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Item #1 Paul Vezmar; 234 S. Lindberg. Requesting permission for a Public Hearing on a Use Variance to open a laser tag entertainment area. Property is zoned I2; Heavy Industrial.

Mr. Paul Vezmar appeared before the Board. Mr. Vezmar stated the facility is not going to be used for laser tag, it will actually be a Nerf and urban dodgeball battle area, similar to a paintball field and/or laser tag area. There are plans to lay down a ¾" rubber floor, with inflatable objects and mobile drums which will make up the arena spaces. The experience is geared towards a more mature audience and will likely be sought after for private parties. The warehouse is 5,000 square feet, with 1,000 square foot office area. The warehouse is large enough that there can be 2 private parties simultaneously. Mr. Vezmar then distributed pictures of a similar business in the Detroit area. Mr. Vezmar stated he also received written permission from the property to owner to request the Variance. *Mr. Wichlinski made a motion* granting Paul Vezmar; 234 S. Lindberg permission to advertise for a Public Hearing on a Use Variance to open a Nerf/Urban Dodgeball entertainment area *seconded by Mr. Elbaor. All favored, motion carried.*

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

BILLS AND EXPENDITURES

Mr. Wichlinski made a motion to approve a claim for the meeting held October 21, 2019 in the amount of \$35.00 *seconded by Mr. Kus. All favored, motion carried.*

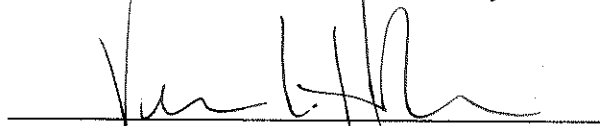
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board of Zoning Appeals, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted



Tom Wichlinski, Secretary



Veronica L. Horka, Recording Secretary