

MINUTES
Friday February 28,2025 AT 10:00 AM
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS
Draft minutes until Committee approved

Meeting called to order at 10:00 AM by Carol Heise, Vice Chair.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Carol Heise, Jolene Barkhaus, Dave Behrend, Elmer Ragen and Char Meier

1. Approval of Agenda
 - a. Change of Sequence
 - b. Removal of Items
Moved by Meier, seconded by Behrend, to approve the agenda of the business meeting. Motion voted on and carried.
2. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Business Meeting of January 28, 2025
Moved by Behrend, seconded by Ragen to approve the minutes of the business meeting of January 28, 2025. Motion voted and carried.
 - b. Public Hearings of February 28, 2025
 - 1) Karissa Schaal & Taylor Bailey
 - c. Moved by Behrend, seconded by Barkhaus to approve the minutes of the public hearing of February 28, 2025. Motion voted on and carried.
3. Public Comments
4. Hearing Dates
 - a. Public Hearings- March 25, 2025
 - b. Business Meeting Date- March 26, 2025, with BOA Training to follow
5. Adjournment

Vice Chair Heise adjourned meeting at 10:20 AM

Secretary

MINUTES OF HEARING
OCONTO COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
February 28, 2025

OCONTO COUNTY, WISCONSIN
FILING DATE FOR SECTION
59.694(10) STATUTORY PURPOSES
DATE 3-3-25 BY KJ

1. Hearing called to order at 8:45 AM
2. Roll Call: Present: Carol Heise, Vice Chair & Secretary
Elmer Ragen
Dave Behrend
Jolene Barkhaus, Alternate
Char Meier, Alternate

Absent: Alan Sleeter, Chair
Dave Christianson

Others Present: Gabe Moody, Assistant Zoning Administrator
Karissa Schaal
Bret Schaal
3. Gabe Moody read the Notice of Public Hearing pertaining to Karissa Schaal & Taylor Bailey, etal's application for Conditional use permit for a taxidermy business. Location of the property is in Section 04, T28N, R18E, Town of Gillett.
4. Gabe Moody stated that the notice was mailed to the petitioner, DZA for posting, 6 adjacent landowners within approximately 300 feet of the affected parcel, and others on the distribution list. He also made a statement in regard to the Open Meeting Law.
5. Gabe Moody stated that the petition was filed on November 20, 2024. He provided the required notices, application, plot plan and maps.
6. Appearances:
 - A. Karissa Schaal appeared and was sworn in. She stated she would like to open a taxidermy business. The business would be open 7 days a week, 12 hours a day. There would be dusk/dawn lighting along with adequate parking.
 - B. Bret Schaal appeared and was sworn in. He stated they have State plan approval, already pulled a sanitary permit with the county and Sanimax would pick up every Wednesday for waste.
 - C. Gabe Moody appeared and was sworn in. He read the staff report.
7. Correspondence
 - A. Staff Report
 - B. Town Recommendation-Approved
8. Testimony closed at 8:55 AM
9. Deliberation/Discussion: Discussed conditions.


10. Decision: Moved by Jolene Barkhaus, seconded by Dave Behrend, to grant a conditional use permit for a taxidermy business with the following conditions:

1. Hours of operation- 7 days a week, 12 hours a day
2. Dusk/dawn lighting
3. Adequate parking
4. Proper disposal of waste
5. Must obtain all Local, State and Federal permits

Roll Call Vote: Barkhaus, Behrend, Heise, Meier, and Ragen all voting aye, no nays, motion carried.

11. Hearing adjourned at 9:00 AM


Carol Heise
Vice Chair


Char Meier
Secretary, Alternate

Gabe Moody
Assistant Zoning Administrator

**NOTICE OF DECISION AND ORDER
OCONTO COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT (Chapter 14)**

CASE NO: CU-20240022

FINDINGS OF FACT: Having heard all the testimony and considered the entire record herein, the Committee finds the following facts:

1. The petitioner is Karissa Schaal & Taylor Bailey, etal, 10890 Valley Line Rd., Gillett, WI 54124
2. The petitioner is the owner of record of parcel number 016-040400211B3 located in the NE ¼, NE ¼, Section 04, T28N, R18E, Town of Gillett.
3. The petition for conditional use permit was filed with the Board Secretary on November 20, 2024, noticed, as provided for by law, on February 5, 2025 and February 12, 2025, and a public hearing was held by the Oconto County Board of Adjustment on February 28, 2025.
4. The property is zoned General Commercial District under the Oconto County Zoning Ordinance which was enacted November 9, 1989.
5. The applicant is requesting conditional use under the provisions of Section 14.3100 of the Oconto County Zoning Ordinance
6. The features of the proposed construction and property that relate to the grant or denial of the application are applicant is requesting a conditional use permit for a taxidermy business.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW: Based upon the above Findings of Fact, the Board concludes that:

The Board has jurisdiction on this matter under the provisions of Section 14.3100 of the Oconto County Zoning Ordinance

Conditional Use-The application for a conditional use permit does qualify under the criteria of Section 14.1803 (d) of the ordinance.

DETERMINATION & ORDER: On the basis of the above Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and the record herein, the Board determines & orders as follows:

The requested conditional use consisting of a taxidermy business is hereby granted subject to the following conditions:

1. Hours of operation- 7 days a week, 12 hours a day
2. Dusk/dawn lighting
3. Adequate parking
4. Proper disposal of waste
5. Must obtain all Local, State and Federal permits


GENERAL CONDITIONS

The granting of this conditional use permit does not relieve the applicant of the obligation to obtain sanitary and zoning permits. The zoning administrator is directed to issue a zoning permit incorporating these conditions and certifying by the petitioner/applicants signature that he/she understands and accepts the conditions.

Any privileges granted by this decision and order are subject to the conditions herein stated. Any period of time during which this decision and order is stayed by order of and court or operation of law shall not be counted in determining the time for exercise of the privileges granted.

Revocation. This order may be revoked by the Committee, after notice and opportunity to be heard, for violation of any of the conditions or limitations imposed.

Appeals. This decision may be appealed by a person aggrieved by this decision or by any officer, department, board or bureau of the municipality by filing an action of certiorari with the Circuit Court for Oconto County within 30 days after the filing of this decision. The County assumes no liability and makes no warranty as to the legality of any construction commenced prior to the expiration of this 30 day period. When a floodplain variance is granted the applicant is made aware that the variance may increase risks to life, property and flood insurance premiums could increase up to \$25.00 per \$100.00 of coverage.


Char Meier, Secretary, Alternate
Oconto County Board of Adjustment

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