



**Meeting of the Board of Adjustments
Held at the Elk River City Hall
Tuesday, March 24, 2026**

Members Present: Chair Perry Beise, Commissioner Eric Johnson, Commissioner Robert Rydberg, Commissioner Dennis Booth, Commissioner Anthony Kaba, Councilmember Jennifer Wagner

Members Absent: Commissioner Dornan Bland

Staff Present: Community Development Director Zack Carlton, Senior Planner Chris Leeseberg, and Recording Secretary Katie Porath

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. CONSIDER AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Rydberg and seconded by Commissioner Booth to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

4. CONSIDER MINUTES

Moved by Commissioner Booth and seconded by Commissioner Kaba to approve the following consent items as outlined in their respective staff reports. Motion carried 5-0.

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5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

5.1 Variance: Outbuilding Addition, Michael Gatzke - 19227 Tyler St NW

The staff report was presented.

Chair Beise opened the public hearing. There being no one to speak to this matter, Chair Beise closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Booth to approve the side yard setback Variance request to encroach up to six feet into the required 20-foot side yard setback, for the following reasons:

1. The general purpose and intent of the ordinance are met.
2. The property has land use guidance of Mixed Residential, and the use is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.
3. The proposed use is reasonable and is otherwise permitted in the zoning ordinance.
4. The plight of the petitioner is due to circumstances unique to the property, not a consequence of the petitioner's own action or inaction.
5. The variance will not alter the essential character of the locality.

Motion carried 5-0.

6. MOTION TO ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING

Moved by Commissioner Booth and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Katie Porath.



Perry Beise, Chair



Justin Dunford, City Clerk
