

Buffalo County Zoning Board of Adjustment Official Meeting Minutes



Date: July 10, 2026

Location: Buffalo County Courthouse, Alma, Wisconsin – Third Floor Conference Room

Start Time: 8:00 a.m.

The minutes were taken by Alex Dunlevy, Buffalo County Zoning Department, and were summarized as follows.

1. Call to Order 8:02 AM

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Dale Klopp.

2. Roll Call 8:02 AM

Members present: Dale Klopp (Chairperson), Randy Schreiner, Ron Kazmierczak, and Barry Drazkowski. A quorum was declared present. Barry Johnson, Tiffany Johnson, Eric Parks, Alex Dunlevy, Cale Severson, Abigail Soderberg

3. Public Notice 8:03

The notice of public hearing was read into the record by Abigail Soderberg. Notice was published June 25, 2026 and July 2, 2026 in the Buffalo County News. The hearing involved Variance 2026-2 (Barry Johnson) and Variance 2026-1 (Eric Parks, Jeff Pank, and Dawn Pank).

4. Agenda 8:05

The Chair outlined the hearing process including applicant testimony, public comments, board questions, correspondence review, discussion, and action.

5. Variance 2026-2 – Barry Johnson 8:07

Applicants Barry Johnson and Tiffany Johnson requested setback and vision-triangle variances for a proposed 40 x 70 accessory building on a commercial parcel at S1052 Chippewa Road, Town of Nelson. Discussion focused on DOT setback requirements, vision-triangle impacts, safety concerns, parcel constraints, building placement, drainage, access, and relocation of the building footprint 10 feet south. No public comments were received.

6. Motion and Vote – Variance 2026-2 8:53

Motion by Barry Drazkowski, second by Randy Schreiner, to approve Variance 2026-2 with zoning staff conditions and the additional condition that the building footprint be shifted 10 feet south. Vote: All in favor. Motion carried. Variance Approved.

7. Variance 2026-1 – Eric Parks, Jeff Pank, and Don Pank 8:59

Correspondence was received in opposition from Marty Wenger and Anthony Wisneski. The applicants requested a variance to treat the parcel as a lot of record and allow residential construction on a parcel lacking the required road frontage in the Town of Alma. Extensive discussion addressed the legal access easement, landlocked parcel status, re-monumentation issues, applicability of county ordinances, hardship standards, neighboring property concerns, private road access, and future development limitations.

8. Motion and Vote – Variance 2026-1 10:04

Motion by Ron Kazmierczak second by Dale Klopp, to approve Variance 2026-1 subject to zoning staff conditions. Vote: All in favor. Motion carried. Variance Approved.

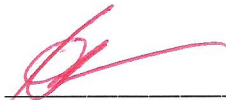
9. Tabling of Minutes 10:14

Review of the November 11, 2025 meeting minutes was postponed. Motion made by Ron Kazmierczak and seconded by Barry Drazkowski to table approval of those minutes until the next hearing. Motion carried.

10. Adjournment 10:14

Motion made by Dale Klopp and seconded by Randy Schreiner to adjourn the hearing. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

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Zoning Technician