# City of Asotin Planning Commission Meeting

# March 21, 2019

Call to Order: 7:02 p.m.

#### Roll Call:

[x] Chair Jim Jeffreys

- [x] Commissioner Elaine Greene
- [x] Commissioner David Risley
- [ ] Commissioner Mercia Neace
- [x] Commissioner Gary Bourassa
- [x] Commissioner Jenni Light

#### Others in Attendance:

James Johnson, Merle Johnson, Jess Hahn, Lynette Hendrickson, James Bacon, Dave Weissenfels, Bill Frye.

## **Approval of Minutes:**

Minutes of January 3, 2019. Motion by Jenni Light. Seconded by Gary Bourassa. Unanimous.

## **Unfinished Business:**

None

#### **New Business:**

The Commission reviewed Jess Hahn's Application for Variance regarding the setback from Kings Lane on his property at 310 Harding Street. In 1986 the alley was designated a public street by City Ordinance #86-356 and setback changed to 15 feet. The request for variance is to change the setback from 15 feet to 5 feet to allow room for the construction of a garage.

Jess Hahn discussed the garage he wishes to build, provided a depiction, and clarified it would be of quality

(not a pole barn). A garage would provide space for his automobiles out of site and in a better environment.

Five neighbors were in attendance in support of this Variance. No correspondence was received from

neighbors with objections. There are other properties on Kings Lane noncompliant with the 5-foot setback.

Commissioners discussed lot coverage; with this addition would it exceed the 40% as established by Code?

The Arial photograph provided indicates the home consumes a large portion of the lot without the coveted garage. Bill Frye, Building Inspector, advised coverage would be calculated during the permitting process.

Motion by Jenni Light to approve Application for Variance to five-foot setback. Seconded by David Risley. Jenni Light, David Risley and Elaine Greene voted yes; Gary Bourassa voted no; Jim Jeffreys abstained. Motion passed.

Jenni Light advised she would be resigning from the Planning Commission due to her moving her residence from the City of Asotin.

The next regular Planning Commission Meeting will be Thursday, July 11, 2019; changed from regular meeting date due to 4th of July holiday.

**Adjourn:** 7:48 p.m. Moved by David Risley Seconded by Elaine Greene. Unanimous.