

**Barron County Zoning
Board of Adjustment
April 28, 2025, 9:00 a.m.**

Present: Board of Adjustment: Amy Kelsey, Dan North, Keith Hardie, Pam Fall, Louie Okey (alt.).
County Personnel: David Gifford, Kim Collins.
Absent: Gary Nelson.

Vice Chair Hardie called the Board of Adjustment to order at 9:00 a.m. and called roll. Collins confirmed that proper posting of the notice was done in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law. No public comment.

Motion: (Kelsey/North) to approve the minutes of February 17 and April 14, 2025; carried.

9:00 a.m. Appeal #3983: Cheryl Grove & Nick Liazuk, property owners, Requests a special exception to expand a dog boarding facility from 10 kennels to 20 kennels, in an Agricultural-2 district. Hardie opened the hearing and read the public notice. The Board reviewed the file and received testimony from the applicant. **Motion:** (Fall/North) to include Appeal 3921; carried. Gifford provided a staff report. No correspondence or public testimony received. Town Consideration Form entered into testimony. After Board questions and discussion, **motion:** (Okey/Kelsey) to close testimony; carried 5-0. **Motion:** (Okey/Fall) to approve the special exception as presented with the following conditions:

1. All licenses and permits are obtained prior to operation, and all testimony, oral and written, is part of the decision.
2. Any future lighting must be downward facing, the western tree buffer must be maintained and any signage must meet Land Use Ordinance requirements.

Motion carried 5-0.

9:10 a.m. Appeal #3982: Brent & Loretta Greener, property owners, Request a special exception to establish a gift shop and monthly craft show in an Agricultural-2 district. Hardie opened the hearing and read the public notice. The Board reviewed the file and received testimony from the applicant. Gifford provided a staff report. No correspondence or public testimony received. Town Consideration Form entered into testimony. After Board questions, **motion:** (Okey/Kelsey) to close testimony; carried 5-0. **Motion:** (Kelsey/Fall) to approve the special exception as presented with the following conditions:

1. All licenses and permits are obtained prior to operation, and all testimony, oral and written, is part of the decision.
2. The gift shop is approved year-round with a craft show event allowed once a month from May to October and the craft show event must conclude by 7:00 p.m.
3. No parking is allowed on the road, all lighting must be downward facing and any signage must meet Land Use Ordinance requirements.
4. The issuance of the Barron County Business Land Use Permit is dependent on approval/acknowledgement from the Commercial Building Inspector the use is allowed within the proposed gift shop structure.

Motion carried 5-0.

9:20 a.m. Appeal #3984: Mervin R. & Diana J. Johnson, property owners; Philip J. & Linda R. Johnson, applicants, Request a special exception to establish a 2-site rustic campground with a variance to the campground standards in a Recreational-Residential district. Hardie opened the hearing and read the public notice. The Board reviewed the file and received testimony from the applicants. Gifford provided a staff overview. No correspondence or public testimony received.

Town Consideration Form entered into testimony. After Board questions, **motion:** (Fall/North) to close testimony; carried 5-0. **Motion:** (Kelsey/Fall) to approve the special exception as presented with the following conditions:

1. All licenses and permits are obtained prior to operation/construction, and all testimony, oral and written, is part of the decision.
2. The 2-site rustic campground is approved with a maximum of 6 occupants per site, which are identified as sites 1 and 3.
3. No fireworks are allowed and no fires outside of the fire rings.
4. Adequate fencing will be provided to separate the grazing animals from the campsites.
5. Variances are granted to the campground requirements of a 20 foot road, a 40' x 60' campsite and a slope of no greater than 2% for the development of the rustic sites.
6. No camping is allowed within 75 feet of the ordinary highwater mark of Sweeney Pond Creek.

Motion carried 5-0.

Report from L.S. Director: Gifford provides a brief update re: Appeal #3964.

Chair declared the meeting adjourned by unanimous consent 12:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Collins
Administrative Assistant