

MINUTES
October 10, 2017 – 6:00 p.m.
Zoning Board of Adjustment
Muscatine City Hall
Lower Level Conference Room

Present: Larry Wolf, Seth Munier, Jodi Hansen, Monica Gonzalez, and Robert McFadden

Staff: Andrew Fangman, City Planner, Community Development Department

Chairperson Wolf opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. and read the Mission Statement.

Minutes: Gonzalez motioned to approve the minutes submitted for the June 13, 2017 meeting; seconded by McFadden. All ayes, motion carried.

Appeal Case #ZBAV-10, filed by Stephanie Balagna, to construct a 6' high opaque fence in the front yard 825 Leroy Street. The proposed structure exceeds the maximum height for an opaque fence in the front yard allowed per City Code Section 10-22-2 (B)(4).

Stephanie Balagna, 825 Leroy, was present to discuss her request. Ms. Balagna explained that she constructed an opaque fence of 6' in height in her front yard at 825 Leroy Street, thinking that she was doing so in compliance with City Code. Ms. Balagna than detailed an ongoing conflict with an adjoin property which lead her to construct the fence in question. Mika & Linda Price, 885 Leroy Street object to the fence as a safety issue as it causes a visual obstruction making it hard to see cars coming out driveways and deer crossing the road. Sue George 827 Leroy Street, state that she has issues with Ms. Balagna and her husband, denied the issues raised by Ms. Balagna earlier in the hearing, and objected to the fence as a safety hazard. Fred George 827 Leroy Street objected to the fence as a safety issue. Ron Nichols 846 Leroy Street object to the fence as a safety issue. Ms. Balagna noted that the deer no longer cross at this location and that she feels that it is not a safety issue. Chairperson Wolf asked for a motion on this appeal. No motion was offered, as such the appeal was denied.

Meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

Respectfully Submitted,

Larry Wolf, Chairperson
Zoning Board of Adjustment

Andrew Fangman, Secretary
City Planner