

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD BY  
ZONING BOARD OF FAIRBURY  
IN FAIRBURY, ILLINOIS

A public meeting of the Fairbury Zoning Board of Appeals was held at the City Hall in Fairbury, Illinois at 6 PM on Tuesday, October 24, 2023, pursuant to a notice published in the Daily Leader.

Present: Zoning Board Chairman Gerry Vance, Zoning Board members Cory Cottrell, Seth Welch, Tom Bull, Leroy Rodriguez and Sam Pica Also present were applicants Paul & Jeannette Coomber, Zoning Administrator Brett Ashburn and Zoning Board of Appeals Secretary Jessica Wenger.

Chairman Vance called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

He then directed Zoning Secretary Wenger to read aloud the reason for the hearing.

Application of Paul & Jeannette Coomber,  
requesting a variance in Area Regulations  
of said Zoning Ordinance  
to construct an accessory building that exceeds  
the 60% rule in a residential district; said  
property being described, to-wit:

LOT 70 X 200 S70' OF E NE & S60' OF W NE BLK 9  
25-25-10-209-015

Chairman Vance opened the hearing by offering the Coomber's a chance to explain why they were seeking the variance. Paul began by explaining that they had a small one car garage that he sold. Paul then decided that he would like to construct a two-car garage. After getting quotes, the Coomber's were talked into a bigger garage complete with a full bathroom and outside concrete patio. Paul explained that they had talked to the surrounding neighbors and they all thought it would look nice and not be a problem. Jeannette's sons are the contractors for the job, and it will be a family affair.

Member Pica asked if the Coomber's were planning on having the two-car garage and then also the 30 X 30 accessory building. Paul explained that the 30 X 30 building is the two-car garage with extra space for a bathroom, the motorcycle and entertaining. Member Pica also confirmed that the accessory building would not be attached to the house. Paul confirmed that it will not be attached to the house. He explained that it will be about 12-15 feet from the house.

At this time Paul passed around a picture of what the shed should look like upon completion.

Chairman Vance then asked if there were any more comments or questions for the Coomers. Member Bull explained that he believes it will be a very appealing building and others agreed.

Chairman Vance agreed that it looks very nice and believes it will be a nice asset to the community.

Chairman Vance made the motion to put the matter to a vote. Member Pica seconded the motion.

Chairman Vance put the matter to a vote by asking for the members if they approved the construction of the accessory building to say "I". He then asked for all opposed to say "nay".

The variance request was unanimously granted.

No other matters were discussed and the meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

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Jessica L. Wenger,  
Secretary to the Zoning Board of Appeals