

# CITY OF WHITEFISH BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

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**Date:** Tuesday, March 2, 2021

**Place:** Via Webex (online)

**Recorded By:** Dabney Langellier

**Members Present:**

Joe Courtney  
Ian Hasson  
Doug Peppmeier  
Scott Wurster

**Members Absent:**

Jeff Fisher  
Mike Kelley  
Parker Kelly

**Staff Present:**

Tara Osendorf  
David Taylor  
Angela Jacobs

**A. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**

**Summary:** Vice-Chair Doug Peppmeier called the meeting to order at 6:01pm.

Mike Kelley is not in attendance because he wanted to recuse himself from the public hearing discussion on today's agenda. Jeff Fisher is unable to attend due to a family emergency. However, we still have a quorum today with four members.

**B. APPROVAL OF JANUARY 5, 2021 MINUTES**

**Summary:** Members reviewed the minutes of February 2, 2021.

**ACTION:** Scott Wurster made a motion to approve the Minutes of February 2, 2021. Joe Courtney seconded and all were in favor. The motion passed unanimously.

**C. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC**

**Summary:** None

**D. OLD BUSINESS**

**Summary:** None

**E. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**Summary:** Prior to the discussion getting started for today's public hearing, the applicant should be aware that State law and City regulations requires a minimum of four Committee members approve the request in order for it to pass. Therefore, it will have to be a unanimous vote with only four members in attendance today. The applicant has the option to postpone the public hearing until the April 6<sup>th</sup> meeting, if he would like. Hopefully, there will be more members able to attend next month.

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If the applicant wishes to postpone the public hearing, then there will be no discussion or vote on the topic today.

Joe Courtney expressed interest in discussing the variance request today.

Angela Jacobs clarified the Board should not discuss the topic today if the applicant wishes to postpone. This way all voting members will be part of any discussion on this matter.

City Code requires the Board to make a decision on variance applications within sixty days of the application submittal. Otherwise, the request is automatically approved; however, by requesting the item be postponed until next month, the applicant waives that right.

1. WZV 21-01 – AARON OBER

**Summary:** The applicant, Aaron Ober, requested the public hearing for his application be postponed until next month.

WZV 21-01 will be on the April 6<sup>th</sup> agenda.

Angela Jacobs asked Aaron Ober to send an email with the request to postpone, so the City will have something in writing. Then, Tara will send out a confirmation email to the applicant.

F. NEW BUSINESS

**Summary:** None.

G. GOOD AND WELFARE

1. MATTERS FROM BOARD

**Summary:** None.

2. MATTERS FROM STAFF

**Summary:** There will be another Board of Adjustment meeting on April 6<sup>th</sup>. Please let staff know if you are unable to attend.

H. ADJOURNMENT

**Summary:** The meeting adjourned at 6:26 pm.