

**CITY OF OKOBOJI BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MINUTES  
FOR THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY FEBRUARY 6, 2018 AT 5:30 P.M.  
OKOBOJI CITY HALL**

The Board of Adjustment for the City of Okoboji met on the above date and the meeting began at 5:30 P.M. in the Okoboji City Hall. Board members present were Joyce Waddell, Ann Mugge, and Daniel Sanders. Others present were: Steve Hallgren, Cody Kasch and Amanda Harskamp.

Joyce Waddell chaired the meeting. Waddell called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Waddell had those in attendance introduce themselves. Waddell asked for a motion to accept the minutes from meeting held on 11/29/2017. Sanders/Mugge moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting of 11/29/2017. All ayes. Motion carried.

Waddell explained the process that would be followed. Waddell explained they were meeting to discuss the variance request by Ace Signs on behalf of McDonalds. Harskamp stated no correspondence for or against regarding the variance was received at City Hall.

Waddell then completed the following; read into the record the public hearing notice; read into the record the Staff Report; described the Application for Zoning Permit from Ace Signs and materials attached.

Waddell opened the public hearing. Mr. Kasch showed pictures of a newly remodeled McDonalds in Sioux Falls as an example. The welcome sign is not lighted and is to identify the entrance. The drive thru signs are to identify the drive thru windows and will not be lighted. Waddell asked if the welcome sign would be the same size. Kasch stated that the welcome sign would be the same size as the example from the Sioux Falls McDonalds picture. The free standing sign by the highway size will not change they are only changing the display part of the sign. Sanders asked if the signs on the north side of the building would be suspended under the canopy. Kasch stated they would be suspended from the canopy and will only state "pay here" and "pickup". They are approximately 1 foot by 3 foot. Mugge asked Hallgren if they needed a variance due to the number of sign. Hallgren stated the arches and the word McDonalds are counted as two signs since they are not attached together. Hallgren stated that the property is unique since they front on three public streets. They already are granted more signs than other businesses due to being on three streets. Hallgren stated that all of the other rules regarding the sign are being followed. Waddell closed the public hearing. Mugge stated that it is a technicality due to the signs being two parts. She stated it feels like one sign to her. Hallgren stated that if you are considering the two signs as one then on the north side then there is only one identify sign and the two drive thru signs would be incidentals. The one on the south side is approved already. Hallgren stated that he had approved the following: golden arches on south & north and the word McDonalds on the front. They are requesting the two direction signs on the north side, the golden arch on the west side and the welcome sign on the south side. Sanders stated that the word McDonalds goes with the arches and if the two where together it would be approved and none of the other sign are lighted. Mugge and Waddell agreed with Sanders. Sanders stated they are only replacing what was there so at some point the signs were grandfathered in. Mugge was surprised that our ordinance doesn't account for directional sign. Waddell stated the only sign she would question was the

welcome sign. Mugge/Sanders motioned for the board to accept the variance as requested. Roll call vote. Sanders, Aye. Mugge, Aye. Waddell, Aye. All Ayes Motion Carried. 3-0.

With nothing further to discuss Mugge/Sanders moved to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 5:57 P.M.

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Amanda Harskamp  
Deputy City Clerk