

Joint Planning Board Meeting  
April 28, 2026

The meeting of the Joint Planning Board of LeSauk Township and the City of Sartell was called to order by Chairman Dan Heim at 5:30 p.m. at the LeSauk Town Hall.

**PRESENT: LeSauk Township Supervisors Dan Heim, Jeff Westerlund and Paul Wagner, City of Sartell Joint Planning Board members Tim Elness and Rusty Deters, Recording Secretary Marlyce Plante and 4 interested parties.**

**AGENDA: DAN HEIM MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED, SECOND BY PAUL WAGNER, MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**

**MINUTES APPROVAL: DAN HEIM MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 31, 2026 JOINT PLANNING BOARD MEETING AS PRESENTED, SECOND BY PAUL WAGNER, MOTION CARRIED 4-0. Tim Elness abstained since he was not in attendance.**

**5:30 – Steven & Kayla Carlson, 1995 35<sup>th</sup> St. No. Variance** – Chairman Dan Heim read the public hearing notice and opened the hearing to the floor. The Carlson's would like to construct an accessory building in their side yard. Town ordinances state accessory buildings are allowed only in the rear yard.

Deb Sauer & Jerome Yurczyk, 1847 35<sup>th</sup> St. No. – Ms. Sauer and Mr. Yurczyk are property owners adjacent to the Carlson property. They questioned the placement of the building since they were unable to tell from the diagram sent with the public hearing notice. Dan Heim indicated on the diagram where the building will be constructed. It will not be seen by any adjacent property owners. Ms. Sauer and Mr. Yurczyk have no issue with the building. They did, however, briefly discuss the Carlson driveway is right on the property line but are aware driveways are allowed to be placed near or on the property line.

DAN HEIM MOTIONED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AFTER HEARING NO FURTHER COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR, SECOND BY PAUL WAGNER, MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

RUSTY DETERS MOTIONED TO RECOMMEND RESOLUTION 2026-06 GRANTING A VARIANCE FOR STEVEN & KAYLA CARLSON AT 1995 35<sup>TH</sup> STREET NORTH TO CONSTRUCT A 2000 SQUARE FOOT ACCESSORY BUILDING IN THE SIDE YARD, SECOND BY PAUL WAGNER, MOTION CARRIED 5-0

**Brian Johnston, 2643 7<sup>th</sup> Ave. No. – Site Plan Approval** – Mr. Johnston is requesting recommendation of his site plan. He plans to remove an existing carport, lean-to and a utility shed, construct an addition to the existing accessory building. Since he is located in the R-1 zoning district, the Joint Planning Board must recommend approval with final approval by the Town Board.

JEFF WESTERLUND MOTIONED TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE SITE PLAN FOR BRIAN JOHNSTON REMOVING THE PRESENT CARPORT, LEAN-TO AND A UTILITY SHED THEN CONSTRUCT AN ADDITION TO THE EXISTING ACCESSORY BUILDING FOR A TOTAL OF 2643 SQUARE FEET, SECOND BY RUSTY DETERS, MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

There being no further business, PAUL WAGNER MOTIONED TO ADJOURN, SECOND BY TIM ELNESS, MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Marlyce L. Plante, Joint Planning Board Recording Secretary

