**WADENA COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

**PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES**

**MONDAY OCTOBER 12, 2020**

**5:30 p.m.**

**VERNDALE CITY HALL**

**101 SW BROWN ST**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** James Ackerson, Tara Erckenbrack, Raye Ludovissie, Jim Runyan

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**  Ardith Carr

**STAFF PRESENT:** Melissa Current, City Clerk/Treasurer; Matt Uselman, Public Works Manager

**VISITORS PRESENT:** Mike Willis, Melissa Willis

The purpose of this public hearing is to approve or deny a variance for Mike and Melissa Willis. The Willis’s are requesting to place a shipping container closer to the property line than the required 10 feet.

Mayor Ludovissie opened the public hearing at 5:44 pm.

Current asked the Willis’ why it would be a hardship for them not to have the variance granted. Mike Willis stated that he would need to change the location of the storage container and that would be an added cost to them. Current asked the Council if approving the variance would alter the neighborhood. Ludovissie stated no, because the shipping container is going to be behind a fence. Erckenbrack expressed concern over approving the shipping container asking what kind of precedence this is setting. Mike Willis stated that they will paint the container if the colors don’t look right. Uselman stated that there are not any ordinances on shipping containers.

A motion was made by Runyan to approve the Variance for Mike and Melissa Willis, seconded by Ackerson. AIF/MC

Mayor Ludovissie closed the meeting at 5:48 pm.

**Submitted by: Attest:**

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Melissa Current, City Clerk/Treasurer Raye Ludovissie, Mayor