

The RAOCG Cooperative ZBA met in regular session on Wednesday, July 8, 2020. Present were T. Kight, B. Fetterly and T. Heagle. D. Austin and R. Blank were absent. Chairperson Kight called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Motion by B. Fetterly, seconded by T. Heagle to dispense with the reading of the November 6, 2019 minutes and to approve the minutes as presented. Ayes-3, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Chairperson Kight presented an area variance application for parcel no. 86.55-1-3.2 owned by Northern Credit Union and located at 88 Bridge Street, West Carthage. Heidi Stemkoski, representing the Northern Credit Union, stated that the applicant seeks to expand the building to the rear to accommodate the requirements for social distancing inside the lobby. The required rear yard setback is 20'. The variance request is for 7', leaving a rear yard setback of 13'.

Chairperson Kight questioned if the existing drainage swale would be impacted. Ms. Stemkoski responded that the building would be closer to the fence but the proposed construction would not require relocating it. An existing shed may be removed and a transformer pad relocated.

Chairperson Kight asked Ms. Stemkoski to calculate the percentage of the parcel covered by the expanded facility. Village law sets a maximum of 40% coverage.

Nathan Hunter, Northern Credit Union CFO, stated that the expansion had been planned to improve services to its members but that current social distancing requirements have accelerated the decision. He advised that the materials used on the exterior would be the same as the existing finish.

The Board agreed, by consensus, to schedule a public hearing on the matter on July 22, 2020 at 7:00pm.

Motion by B. Fetterly, seconded by T. Heagle to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:16pm.

*Christina Vargulick*  
RACOG Cooperative ZBA, Secretary