

VARIANCE APPLICATION

Name, Address, Contact Information:
Parcel Number:
Legal Description (attach to application):
Parcel Area and Dimensions:
Current Use and Zoning:
Nature and disposition of any prior petition for appeal, variance or special use, if any:
Description of all nonconforming structures and uses on this property, if any:

The BOA may only grant a variance if the applicant provides evidence that they meet all three legal standards below.

1. Unnecessary hardship

For an area variance, unnecessary hardship exist when, ordinance standards that are strictly applied would unreasonably prevent a permitted use of a property, or render conformity with such standards unnecessarily burdensome. Circumstances of an applicant, such as a growing family or desire for a larger garage are not legitimate factors in deciding variances. A personal inconvenience is not sufficient to meet the unnecessary hardship standard. (Synder v, Waukesha County Zoning Bd. Of Adjustment, 1976).

For a use variance, unnecessary hardship exists only if there is no reasonable use of the property without a variance.

The literal enforcement of the ordinance standard(s) (will/will not) result in an unnecessary hardship because...

 Unique property limitations Unique physical limitations of the property such as steep slopes or wetlands that are not shared by other properties. Further, the entire property must be considered, if a code-compliant location(s) exists, a hardship due to unique property limitations does not exist.
The hardship (is/is not) due to unique conditions of the property because
3. No harm to public interests Variance may not be granted which results in harm to public interests. In applying this test, the zoning board must consider the impacts of the proposal and the cumulative impacts of similar projects on the interests of the neighbors, the entire community and the general public.
The variance (will/will not) harm the public interests because
1. Include check in the amount of \$250.00 payable to the Town of Friendship for costs incurred convening a public hearing. The Town of Friendship reserves the right to request reimbursement for additional costs over the amount of the initial hearing fee.
2. Attach a map or sketch of the property involved. Include property lines, existing & proposed driveways and roads, dimensions & locations of existing & proposed buildings and location of sanitary septic system.
3. Provide names and addresses of neighbors closest to the property for which this variance is requested.
4. Additional information may be requested by the Board of Appeals. The decision of the Board of Appeals is final.
I hereby certify that all the above statements and attachments submitted hereto are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Applicant______ Date_____