FIRE PLACE

## THORPE TOWNSHIP VARIANCE APPLICATION

ame(s): TIM & MARCY MCFARLAND Date: 4/21/2023 Mailing Address: 7491 ONTARIO BLVD, EDENTRAIRIE, MN 55344 Daytime Phone Number: 612-598-3319 E-mail Address: @gmail.com Property Owner Name(s) (if different from applicant): \_ Property Address: 29207 - UNIPER TRAIL, NEVIS, MN 5/24/07 Property Tax Parcel Number(s): 74,30,01400 Property Legal Description: SEE ATTACHED Property Zoning Designation: LAKE SHORE (RESIDENTIAL) Specify the section or sections of the Zoning Ordinance from which a variance is being sought: SECTION 30,10,4 C BETBACK (FROM LOT LINES) Explain how you wish to vary from the applicable provisions of the Ordinance: TO ADD A FIREPLACE TO THE WEST WALL OF ONRCABIN, IT IS LESS THAN 100 FROM THE LOT LINE. Check if there are any additional supporting documents or information is being submitted to help HUBBARD AERIAL X Site Plan X Map Other (specify): SHOW MIG XIEIGH BORS Z A variance may only be granted by the Board of Appeals and Adjustments where the strict PROPERTIES enforcement of the Zoning Ordinance will result in "practical difficulties." The applicant is responsible for establishing the existence practical difficulties regarding the particular property and that the request otherwise satisfies the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance. Whether or not "practical difficulties" exist is determined by the Board of Appeals and Adjustments considering all of the following seven factors. Please summarize the facts as to your property and alleged "practical difficulties" with regard to each of the seven factors, using additional paper and attachments, if necessary. Facts showing that the requested variance would be in harmony with the general 1 purposes and intent of the Zoning Ordinance. A FIBEPLACE IS A TYPICAL FEATURE OF A REGIDENCE.

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I hereby certify with my signature that all data on my application form, and any additional sheets, plans, and specifications, are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Applicant's Signature

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TOWN USE ONLY

Date application received: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Application fee received: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Application compete: Yes No If No, the date written notice provided to application of the additional information needed:

Date of complete application:

Please mail your completed application, site plan or other supporting documents and check for the \$200 application fee to: Amy Strandell, Thorpe Township Clerk, 30880 County 91 Nevis MN 56467. Write checks to "Thorpe Township"

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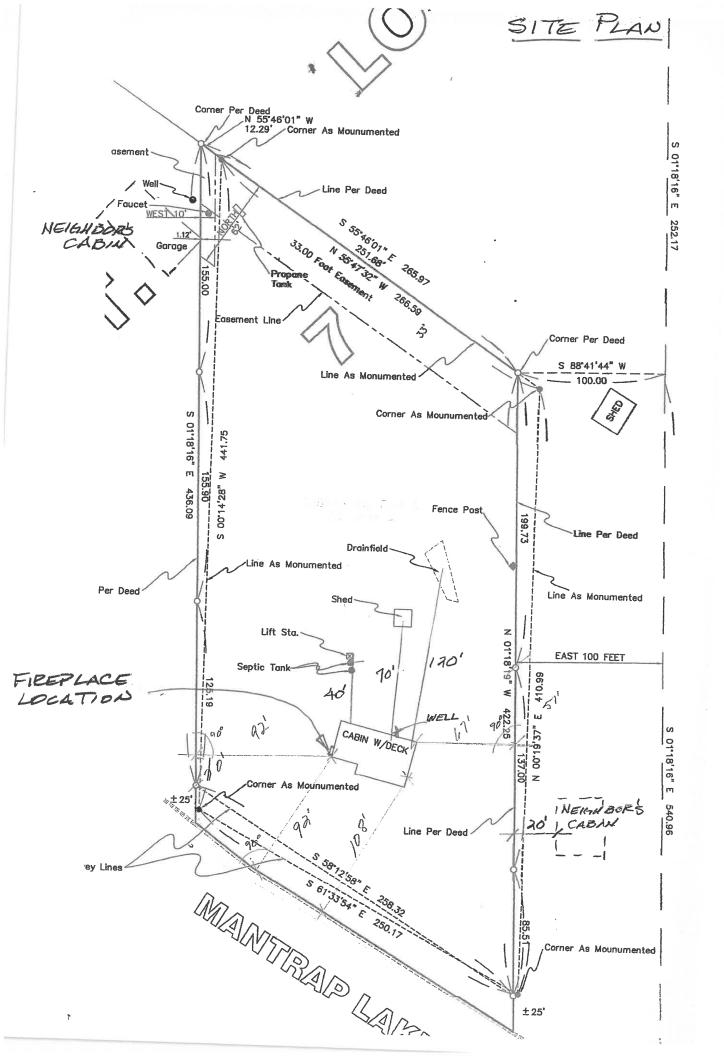
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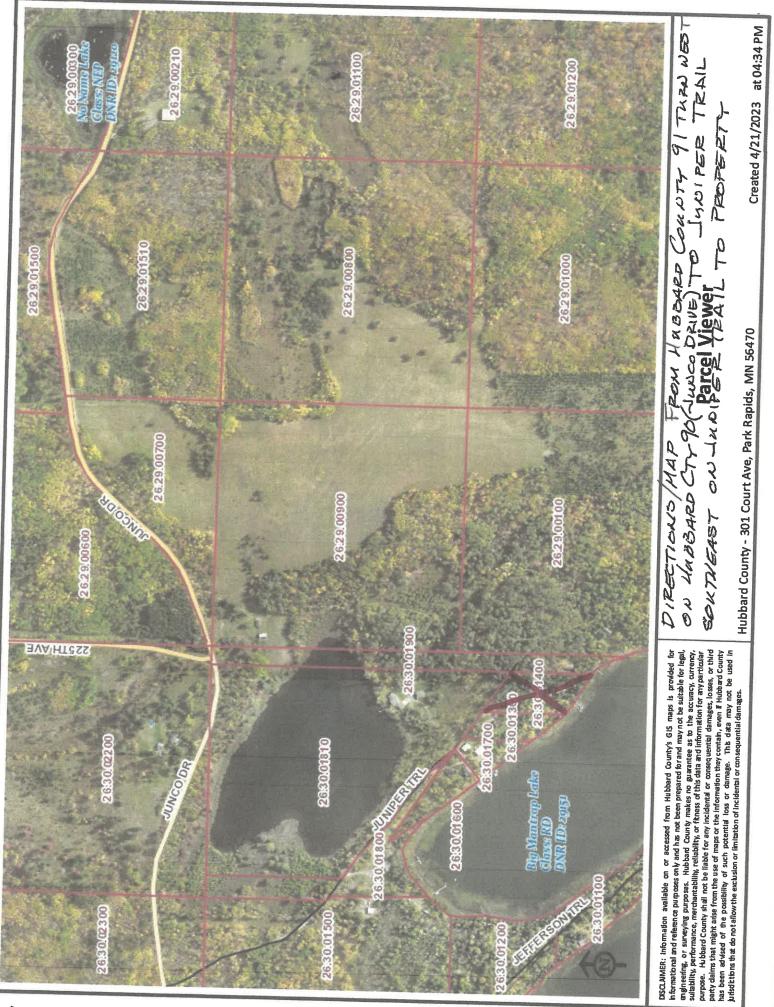
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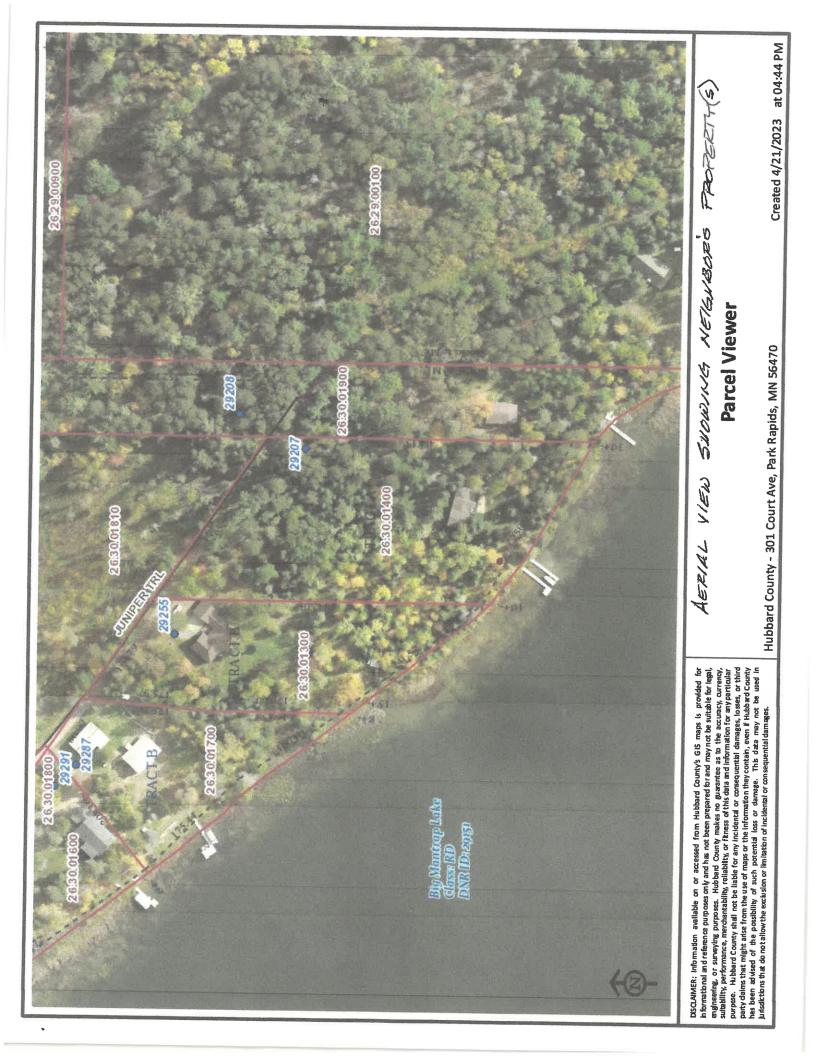
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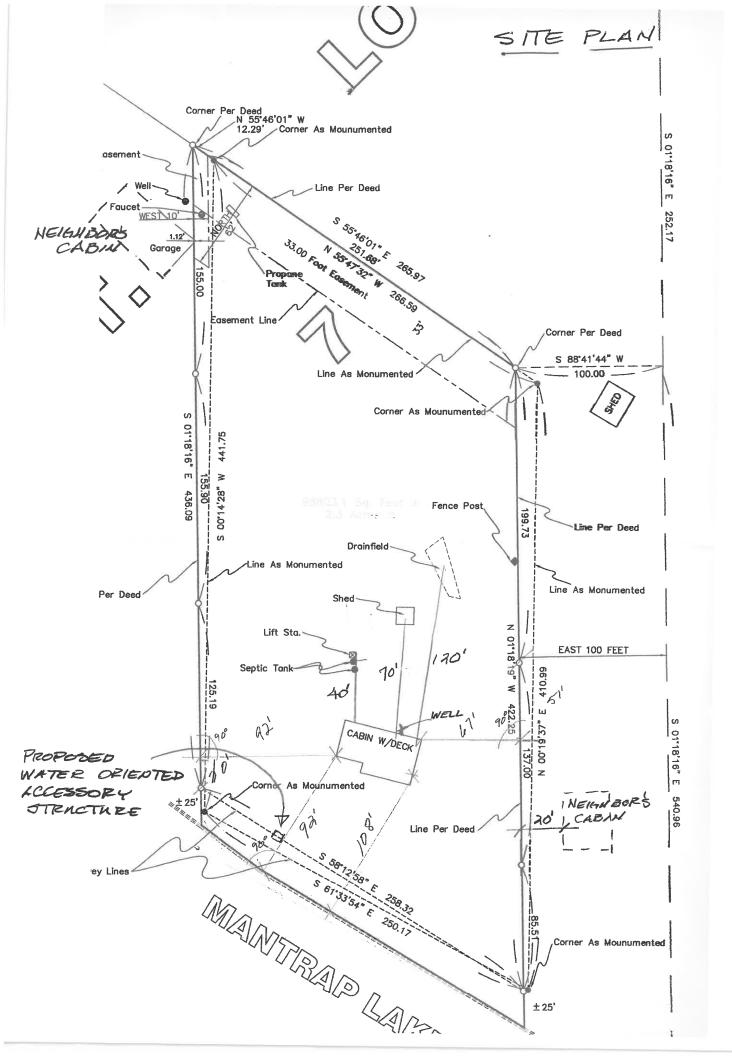
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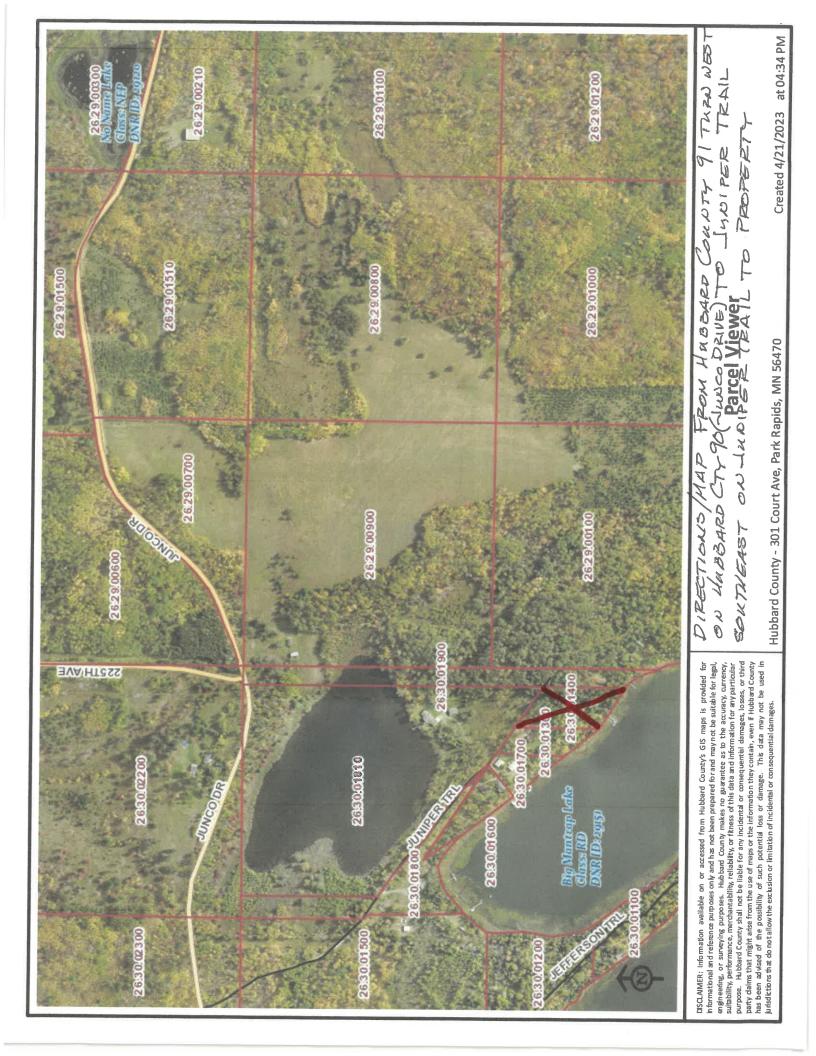
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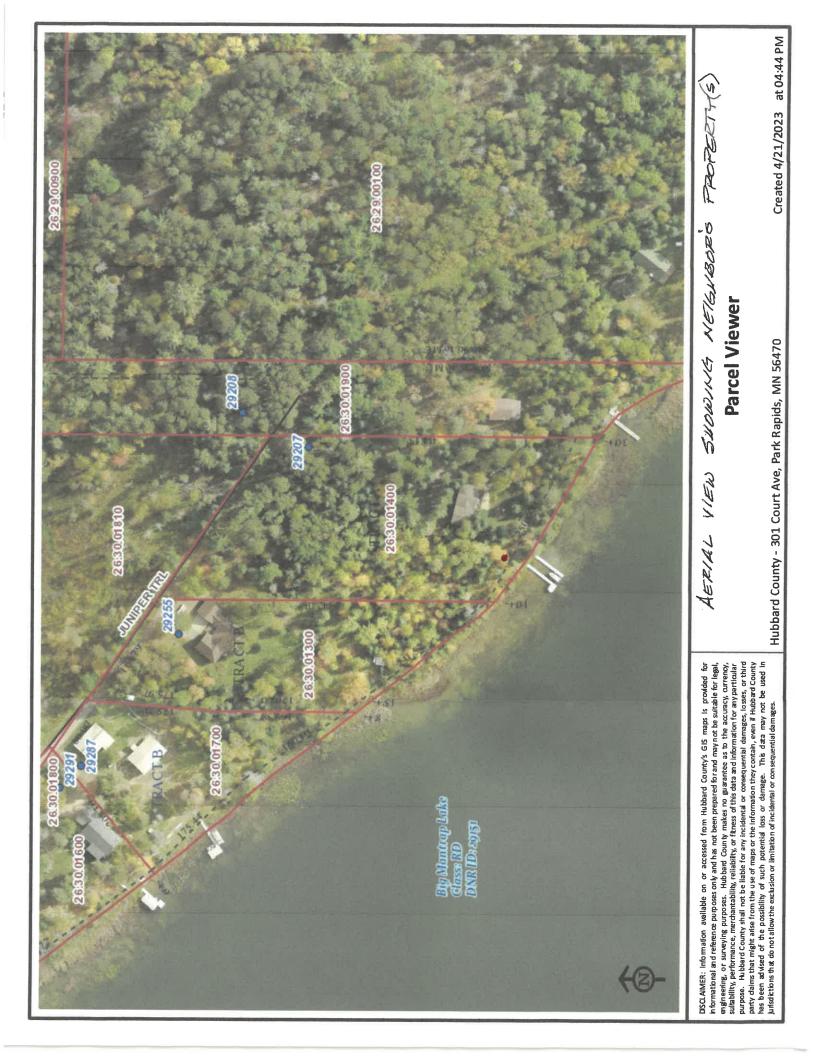
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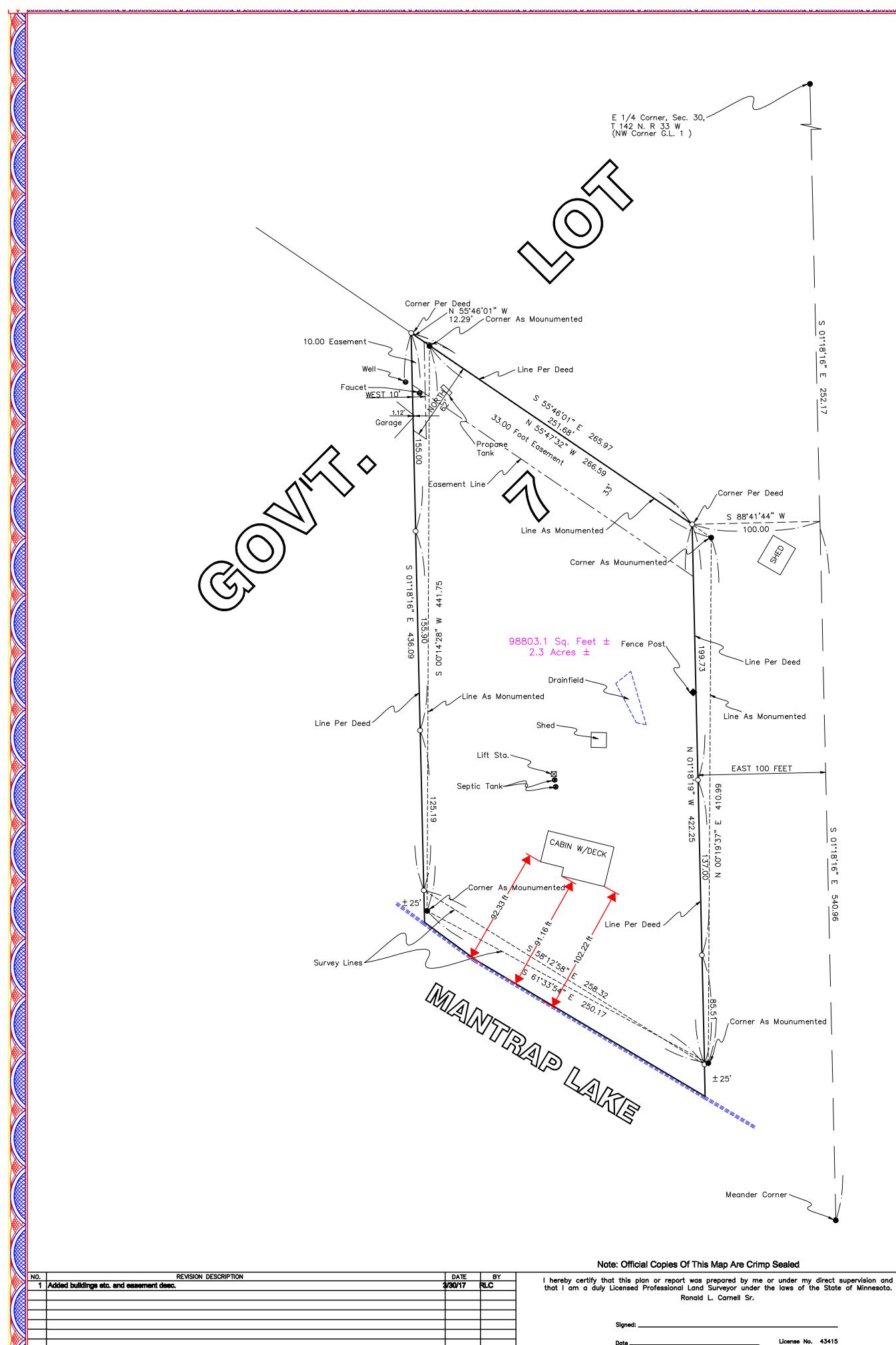
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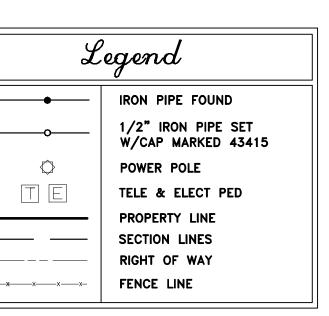
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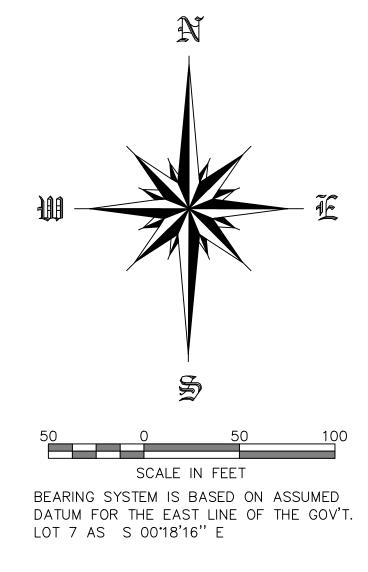
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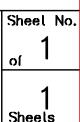
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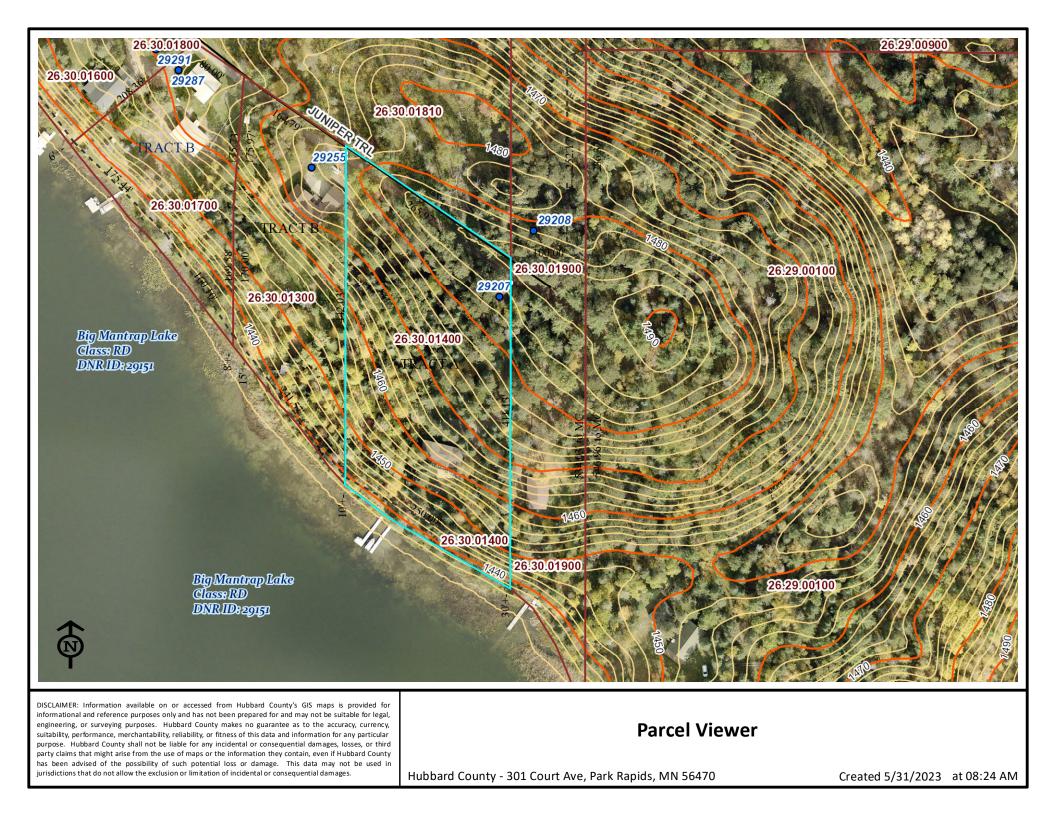


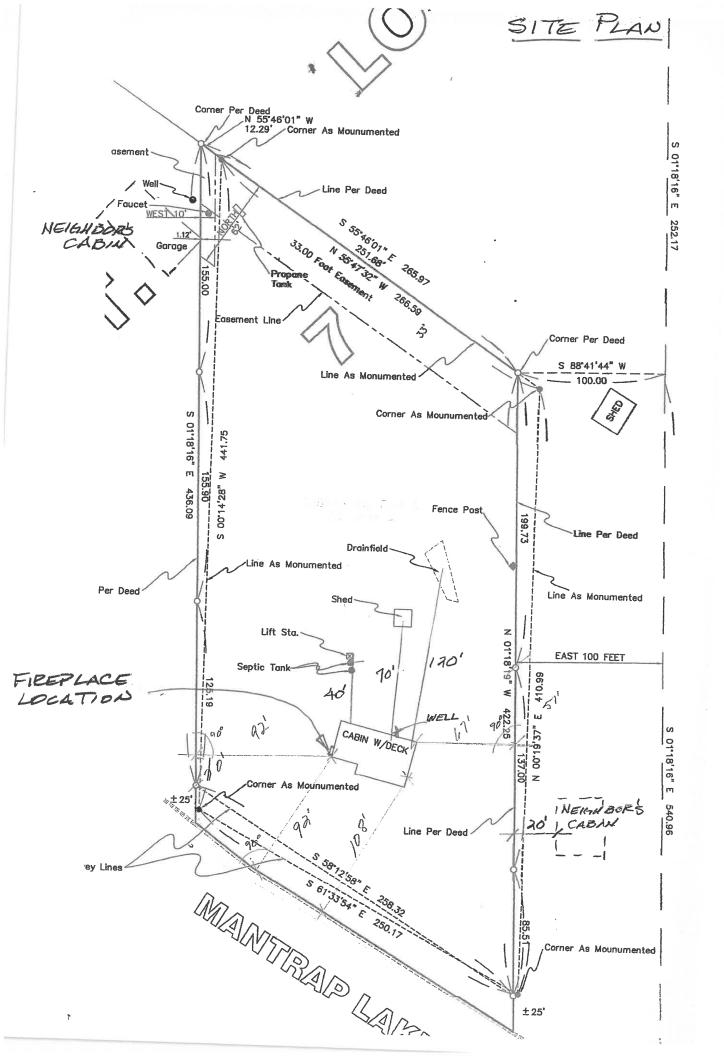


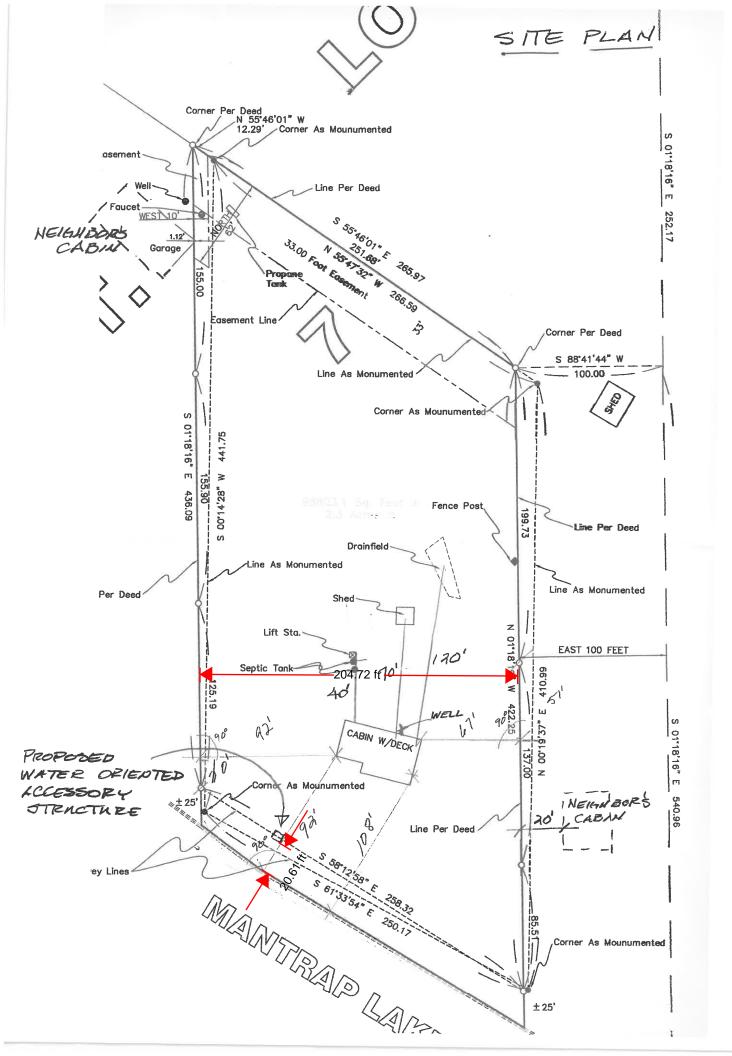
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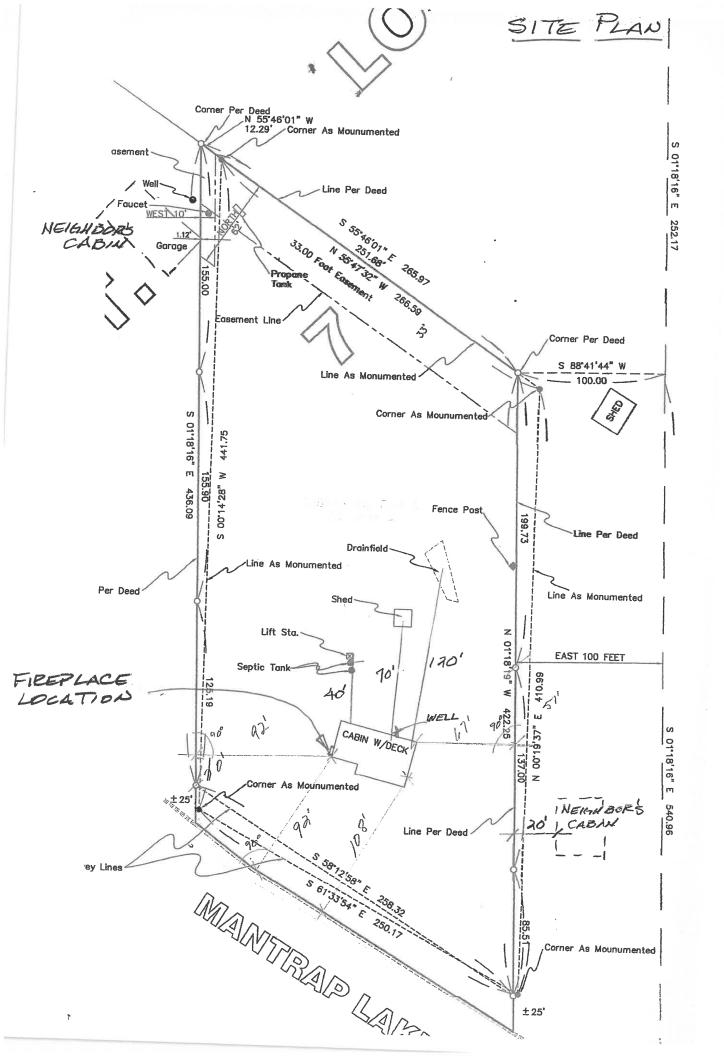


SECTION 30, T 142 N, R 33 W Hubbard County, MN









From: Eric Buitenwerf <eric.buitenwerf@co.hubbard.mn.us>
To: Ben Oleson <oleson@hometownplanning.com>
Date: Tue, 23 May 2023 11:07:17 -0600
Subject: Re: public comment on McFarland variance application for parcel
26.30.01400

Attachments: THRP\_Jun5\_2023\_neighbors (1).docx, combined site plan.pdf

Hi Ben,

I'm writing to provide comments on the McFarland variance application for parcel 26.30.01400.

This parcel falls under the County Shoreland Management Ordinance's (SMO) jurisdiction. My comments are thus in regard to sharing the SMO requirements with your Board of Adjustment.

The house was permitted in 1973 to be built in compliance with the 100' ordinary high water mark (OHW) structure setback. The certificate of survey provided with the public notice has the house OHW setback labeled as 92'. Thus, if the house OHW setback is indeed less than the required 100', before the County can consider a land use permit application for the proposed addition (if the requested Township variance is approved), an after-the-fact variance to address the house's noncompliance with the 100' OHW setback will be required. I would recommend that the applicants include the proposed addition in the County variance application so our Board of Adjustment can be aware of and consider/act on the full scope of the proposal.

Regarding the proposed water-oriented accessory structure (WOAS), its dimensions and setbacks comply with the SMO's WOAS regulations that are located in Section 601 of the SMO. If the requested Township variance is granted, a land use permit for the WOAS and compliance with the applicable shore impact zone vegetation mitigation component will be required per the SMO. Section 601's pertinent content is shown below and highlighted.

Section 601. Accessory Uses and Structures

Where a lot is devoted to a permitted principal use, customary accessory uses and structures are authorized except as prohibited specifically or by necessary

implication in this or any other ordinance. The following special rules are applicable:

1. All accessory structures, including carports and breezeways, attached to the principal structure on a lot shall be made structurally a part thereof and shall comply in all respects with the requirements of the Ordinance applicable to the principal structure.

2. All detached accessory structures shall be located in compliance with all setback requirements applicable to the principal structure within the management district with the exception of storage structures as described in Paragraph # 3 below.

3. Each residential lot may have one water-oriented accessory structure, deck, or platform located closer to public waters than the structure setback if all of the following standards and requirements are met:

A. The structure must not exceed ten feet in height above grade at any point. A deck cannot exceed eight feet in height above grade at any point. The structure cannot occupy an area greater than 48 square feet and a deck or platform cannot occupy an area greater than 150 square feet.

B. The setback of the structure, deck, or platform from the ordinary high water level must be at least twenty feet.

C. The structure, deck, or platform must be earthtone in color and screened with vegetation to reduce visibility as viewed from public waters and adjacent shorelands.

D. The structure, deck, or platform must not be located in a bluff impact zone.

E. A structure's roof cannot be used as a deck or storage area.

F. The structure must not be designed or used for human habitation and must not contain water supply or sewage treatment facilities.

G. Where grading or filling or excavation is necessary for construction, a shoreland alteration permit shall be required and there shall be no excavation waterward of the building line.

H. Mitigation to offset the aesthetic and impervious surface area impact of the allowed WOAS/deck/platform is required unless Environmental Services Department (ESD) staff determine the property's shore impact zone (SIZ) is fully vegetated in native tree, shrub, and ground cover aside from any allowed access path, SRUA, and WOAS/deck/platform. IF ESD staff determine the SIZ is fully vegetated, a 500 sq. ft. portion thereof (with a minimum width of 20' parallel to the shoreline) will be designated as an area to be permanently kept in natural vegetative cover. If ESD staff determine the property's SIZ is not fully naturally vegetated, 500 sq. ft. of the property's SIZ must be restored to and maintained in permanent native tree, shrub, and ground cover vegetation. If less than 500 sq. ft. of the SIZ requires restoration, then permanent restoration of said area that is less than 500 sq. ft. and preservation of it and additional shore impact zone area to reach the 500 sq. ft. amount will satisfy this mitigation requirement. In all the above scenarios, the 500 sq. ft. area must have a 20' minimum width parallel to the shoreline.

I. Any structure or facility not meeting the above criteria, or any additional accessory structures or facilities must meet or exceed structure setback standards.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this application.

Most sincerely,

Eric

Please note new email address: eric.buitenwerf@co.hubbard.mn.us
<mailto:eric.buitenwerf@co.hubbard.mn.us> .

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Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 9:03 AM
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<eric.buitenwerf@co.hubbard.mn.us>; Jed Nordin <jed.nordin@co.hubbard.mn.us>; Jon
Mason <jon.mason@state.mn.us>; Tom Groshens <tom.groshens@state.mn.us>
Cc: Ben Oleson <oleson@hometownplanning.com>
Subject: Public hearing notice

Attached is a public hearing notice for Thorpe Township, meeting date on Monday, June 5th. Please address your comments to Ben.

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