

**Rushford Township Planning Committee Meeting
June 27, 2018**

Board and Committee Members Present: Zoning Administrator Tom Jackson, Town Chairman Tom Egan, Town Clerk Peggy Hendricks and planning committee members: Town Supervisor Jerry Schoonover, Rob Resop, Nicole Bahn, Bonnie Barkow and alternate Russell Lee. Additional attendees also present per sign in.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Appointment of Zoning/Planning Committee Members

- Unanimous ballots were cast for the following:
 - Chair – Dan Stokes
 - Motion by Lee, second by Bahn – all voted in favor.
 - Vice Chair – Rob Resop
 - Motion by Bahn, second by Schoonover – all voted in favor.
 - Recording Secretary – Nicole Bahn
 - Motion by Lee, second by Barkow – all voted in favor.
- **ACTION ITEM:** Town Clerk Peggy Hendricks will assemble additional zoning books for alternates Ryan Helmuth and James ‘Jim’ Moore.

Public Hearing for Kelly Mirr on Parcel 022-0413 located on Bell School Road, Omro

- Applicant is requesting a zoning change from general agriculture (GA) to large estate residential (LER) for Lot 1 of the pending CSM
 - No neighbors contacted anyone on the town board with concerns
 - Plan would be to construct a home in approximately 5-7 years, land would be farmed until then
 - Preliminary CSM has been completed
 - Lot 1 will be 10.014 acres
 - Remaining acreage will remain GA

Motion made by Bahn, seconded by Lee: Recommend approval to the town board for a zoning change to Lot 1 of the pending CSM for parcel 022-0413 from general agriculture (GA) to large estate residential (LER). All voted in favor.

Old Business:

- Cars at 9133 River Road – parcel 022-071701 owned by Edward Patrick
 - Patrick contacted town attorney John Blazel and informed him that he plans to move most of the cars to a property he purchased in Marinette County.
 - Patrick asked to have until August 1 to move the vehicles.
 - Zoning board agreed to table the items until that time to see what progress is made.
 - Zoning Administrator Tom Jackson will stop by and see how many vehicles are onsite. Supposedly many have collector license plates which do not require annual registration.

New Business:

- Chickens in villages
 - There are chickens on a parcel in Waukau that are being allowed to roam onto the neighboring property.
 - Household pets are allowed – definition is animals that weigh less than 25 pounds
 - Parcel is owned by Robert ‘Bob’ Moore however he does not reside there
- **ACTION ITEM:** Town Supervisor Jerry Schoonover has volunteered to reach out to Moore about keeping the chickens contained on the property he owns.

- Zoning Administrator Tom Jackson reported that when the water goes down in the river, he will obtain the coordinates and the buoys will be placed off Delhi Road. Stakes will be added on the sides so in the future, the coordinates will not have to be looked up every year.
- Jackson mentioned that David Johnson had called inquiring about a land split in Eureka – adjusting the lot line to allow for appropriate setbacks so the old school could be sold.

Public Comments:

- Ann Paulson, a 48 year resident of Quarry Drive, wanted to inform the committee about mold she has been encountering around her property for the past few years. She also brought in pictures to share.
- She believes that a mulching operation on the neighboring property may be contributing to the problem.
- Paulson has had testing done to identify the substance but the source cannot be definitively pinpointed.
- Board members commented that similar issues were being experienced in other area of the township (growth on LP tanks, death of blue spruce trees etc.)
- Paulson was informed that the DNR has given the business a permit to operate and are in control.
- Paulson was asked if she had voiced her concerns to the DNR or Winnebago County Health Department. She replied that she has not.
- Suggestion for Paulson to follow up with DNR, discuss with an attorney filing a civil suit

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:00 P.M. following a motion by Lee and seconded by Schoonover.

Submitted by Nicole Bahn – Recording Secretary