

**Rushford Township Planning Committee Meeting
February 28, 2018**

Board and Committee Members Present: Zoning Administrator Tom Jackson, Town Chairman Tom Egan and planning committee members: Town Supervisor Jerry Schoonover, Ryan Helmuth, Rob Resop, Nicole Bahn, Dan Stokes and alternate Russell Lee. Additional attendees: Attorney John Blazel, Dean Kaderabek and Jack Klubertanz.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Vice Chairman Ryan Helmuth.

Discussion on Possible Changes / Additions to Definitions, Ordinances

- Soft-sided structures
 - Discussion on if it is better for items to be in temporary structures than out in the yard/open
 - Building permits issued
 - Original intent was for agricultural type use but recently more residential uses
 - Discussion on number, placement on property line, size, height
 - If made permanent, need to adjust setback to be farther than 3' from lot line
 - **ACTION ITEM:** Remove 180 day maximum requirement from definition, add definition for soft-sided structures with setback requirements the same as permanent structures – allowed in all zoning districts
- Solid waste – discussed but will leave as is
- Composting / nursery/landscaping – no change
 - Currently DNR regulated
 - Composting at nurseries not currently specifically listed under commercial / industrial districts
- Sex offenders – no change
 - Cannot restrict supervised release offenders entirely but can have radius around where children congregate (schools, parks etc.) if adequate housing stock remains
 - If no housing options, court would strike it down
 - Helmuth questioned “Isn’t it better to know where these individuals are?”
- Household livestock – no change
 - Call about roosters in high density residential (Waukau)
 - Public nuisance ordinance does address loud noise areas, could be considered similar to a barking dog
- Building inspections / occupancy permits for additions/renovations over a certain dollar amount/square footage – no change
 - Some insurance companies may have someone out to inspect prior to coverage update
 - Cost involved
 - Comes down to resources / time to monitor
- Frontage versus road frontage – no change
 - Most courts would look at it as road frontage
 - Subdivision code doesn’t match zoning code – should update table at end of Chapter 7 for consistency
 - If road is not completed up to standard – how/who/when does this get done?
 - Minimum size for cul-du-sac

- One unlicensed/unregistered vehicle allowed – no change
 - Includes semi trailers, fishing shanties
 - Inspection warrant to be obtained from court to see if used as storage
 - Falls in junk category when essential parts start being removed
- Discharge of firearms / hunting in high density residential or rural residential areas – no change
 - DNR requirement - 100 feet from dwelling
 - Cannot do anything in city of Omro – BB gun, archery etc.
- Including wording 'not limited to' in CUPs
 - Substantially similar to named conditional use – bring to zoning committee / administrator for determination
 - Conditional use to permitted in appropriate districts
 - Zoning administrator determination powers should be included
- Tiny house / shipping containers as houses – not needed to include
- Subdivision code currently has discrepancies in Rural Residential (RR) and High Density Residential (HDR). Will address in next rewrite.
- Question why would farm signs not be illuminated? Safety
- Political signs – must be removed within 15 days following date resolved
- List under each district of what is allowed for permitted conditional use permits

New Business

- Land division requests coming in future

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:50 P.M. following a motion by Stokes and seconded by Schoonover.

Submitted by Nicole Bahn – Recording Secretary