

**Rushford Township Zoning Committee Meeting
June 30, 2021**

Zoning Committee Members:

Chairperson: Nicole Bahn

Vice Chair: Jim Moore

Town Supervisor: Jerry Schoonover

Recording Sec'y: Bonnie Barkow

Russ Lee

Board and Committee Members Present:

Town President: Tom Egan Zoning Administrator: Tom Jackson Town Clerk: Peggy Hendricks Additional attendees also present per sign in sheet.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Bonnie Barkow and Appointment of New Officers was requested.

Schoonover nominated Nicole Bahn for Chairperson seconded by Moore. Barkow nominated Jim Moore for Vice Chair seconded by Bahn. Lee nominated Bonnie Barkow for Recording Secretary seconded by Bahn. All nominations were approved by the Committee members.

Bruce Bohm spoke for the new CSM for Bohm Farms Parcels: 022 0436, 022 060108, 022 060003 (3 total parcels) for a driveway entrance, they have always used this driveway for entrance to their property. New map was required to show this area was owned by Bohm Farms. Motion by Bahn to approve the new CSM for all parcels listed above, seconded by Schoonover, motion was approved by all and carried.

Old Business :

Grass Length: Tom Jackson reviewed that there are some continued issues with grass length of lawns. The lawyer stated inforcement is hard to carry out, but normally Henricks sends a letter and the situation is resolved. There currently is a weed ordinance for the township which is the same State wide. Omro currently has a 6" limit. Town of Algoma has an 8" limit, other townships have 12" limits. Moore made motion that grass should be 10" or less for entire township all lot sizes, 2nd was asked for, motion dies to lack of a 2nd. Bahn feels lot size should need to be determined before an actual ordinance can be set up. Subject tabled until later date. More information will be researched.

Storage Container Home Minimum Square Footage Allowed:

Waushara County does not allow any container homes in their county. There are 20' & 40' all 8' wide containers, they are designed for shipping or previously used for shipping. Discussion regarding 2 exit doors, siding, pitched roof, electrical codes and plumbing codes placed on a cement foundation etc would need to be written into an ordinance if they are to be allowed. 1000 square foot minimum currently is not listed anywhere in any ordinance. Suggestions given were that the unit would need to meet all State codes and inspections. The County does not have anything on this subject. Since trailer homes are not allowed how can a container home be approved? Schoonover makes motion to not allowed container homes 2nd by Moore, approved by Schoonover, Moore and Barkow, opposed by Bahn and Lee, motion passed and was carried

1000' square footage minimum for homes was somehow missing from our currently ordinance. Moore made motion to have 1000' minimum for all types residences, Schoonover 2nd it. Motion approved by Moore, Schoonover, Bahn & Barkow, motion was opposed by Lee, motion passed and was carried.

Minimum - Maximum Splits of 40 acre parcel:

The past ordinance originally only allowed to split once for the 40 acres. Bahn made motion that the Max split into 2 parcels once with no limit to acres of each, Barkow seconded. Motion was approved and carried.

Solar Panels:

County has ordinance regarding square footage allowed on properties, a future owner was informed to contact them. They are placed on the roof of a new home. No decision was reached, more research is needed on this subject.

New Business:

Culvert Permits currently Township does not charge a fee, but Members of Board do go look at where they are wanted.

Set backs on maps currently are not shown, they are listed in the ordinance.

Letter was sent by lawyer to property owner on Liberty School Road, this has been a continued problems for the past 3+ years. Various violations were listed on the letter sent. Suggestion was given to have a 2nd notice sent registered mail by the lawyer or verify that the current letter was sent registered mail. Subject tabled for next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30pm following a motion by Schoonover and seconded by Moore

Submitted by Bonnie Barkow – Recording Secretary