

TOWN OF NEPEUSKUN

WINNEBAGO COUNTY, WISCONSIN

PROCEEDINGS OF THE NEPEUSKUN TOWN PLAN COMMISSION MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 10, 2012, AT 7:00PM AT THE TOWN HALL, 1475 COUTNY ROAD E.

Chairman Robert Sillanpaa called the meeting of the Nepeuskun Town Plan Commission to order at 7:02pm at the Nepeuskun Town Hall, 1475 County Road E. Other members present; Karen Bartels, Michelle Prellwitz, Jim Heise, Dennis Miller, Andy Seaman, and Paul Resop. Several members from the community were also present.

Secretary Prellwitz certified that official notice of the meeting was posted within the Town on Saturday, September 8, 2012, at 9:00am.

Jim Heise moved to approve the Agenda as printed. Second by Andy Seaman. Motion carried unanimously.

Dennis Miller moved to approve the August 13, 2012, Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes as printed. Second by Karen Bartels. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Participation: None

Report on Town Board Action: None

Town Zoning Administrator, Jerry Trochinski, discussed state regulations for wind generators and solar collectors. Jerry shared that there are basic rules that apply in the statutes when installing a wind generator or solar system. The wind and sun cannot be blocked and a site plan is needed. The statutes were implemented in 1993. No municipality can create an ordinance that prevents people from building wind generated or solar powered energy sources. Jerry provided copies of the statutes to Plan Commission members.

A discussion was held on a proposed Farmland Preservation Ordinance. Town Board Chairman, Ron Bahn, explained that land owners participating in the program will need to re-zone their farmland parcels to A-1. Vice Chairman Andy Seaman questioned what the benefits were for participating land owners in the program. Ron Bahn reported that there was a tax credit of \$7.50 per acre. There are currently approximately 25 land owners totaling 3300 acres in the Town that are interested in participating in the program. A public hearing

was scheduled for Monday, 10/1/12, at 7:00pm for public comment on the proposed Farmland Preservation Ordinance.

A discussion was held on camping permits and camp grounds. A campground would need to meet all State Regulations. Business owner, Randy Heise, has customers camping on property adjacent to his Log Cabin Bar for scheduled outdoor events. The adjacent property is owned by Don Wagner. Future discussion and legal counsel with the Town's attorney will be necessary.

Chairman Sillanpaa announced that the Plan Commission Network Meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, 9/26/12, 6:30-8:00pm and would be hosted at the Nepeuskun Town Hall. Jerry Trochinski invited Plan Commission members to an open house at his farm prior to the meeting to observe the electrical generator and solar powered hot water heater system in use.

Future Agenda Items: Campgrounds; Update Fee Structure Chart in Chapter 9 of Ordinance; Assign Chapter Numbers to Ordinance's.

Set October 2012 Meeting Date: October 1, 2012, immediately following a public hearing on a proposed Farmland Preservation Ordinance.

Paul Resop moved to adjourn the meeting. Second by Andy Seaman. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Prellwitz

Secretary

Robert Sillanpaa

Chairman

Andy Seaman

Vice Chairman