Minutes - Woodbury County Board of Adjustment Meeting - May 3, 2021

The Board of Adjustment meeting convened on the 3rd of May 2021 at 6:00 PM in the first-floor board room of the Woodbury County Courthouse. The meeting was also made available via teleconference.

BA Members Present : Tom Thiesen, Bob Brouillette, Pamela Clark, Daniel Hair

County Staff Present: David Gleiser, Dan Priestley

Public Present: None

Call to Order

Chair Tom Thiesen formally called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Public Comment on Matters Not on the Agenda

No public comment for non-agenda items.

Approval of Minutes

The January 4, 2021 minutes were approved. Motion by Clark to approve; second by Brouillette. Motion passed 4-0.

Review of Draft Commercial Wind Energy Ordinance Proposal

The Board reviewed a proposed commercial wind energy ordinance. They discussed the type of permitting (allowed vs. conditional) and who should review the permitting whether it is for the Zoning Commission to review and either the Board of Adjustment or Board of Supervisors to approve. Decommissioning of the footings were discussed along with the wiring and the potential impact to the roads. There was a general consensus that the Zoning Commission and Board of Adjustment should be involved in the permitting process along with the Board of Supervisors.

Review of Draft Floodplain Management Ordinance Proposal

The Board reviewed the Iowa Draft Model Floodplain Management Ordinance. The ordinance is provided by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) as an expectation to adopt in anticipation of the new floodplain maps. Much of the language that was presented is meant to bring the language and terminology in line with that of FEMA. The Board did not find any issues with proposed language.

Public Comment on Matters Not on the Agenda

None

Commissioner Comment or Inquiry

None

Adjourn

Motion by Brouillette to adjourn; second by Hair. Motion passed 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:42 PM.