Village of River Hills

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPEAL OF DAN HANDLE, 8755 N DEAN CIR, REGARDING THE BUILDING INSPECTOR'S DENIAL OF A BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATION FOR INSTALLATION OF A SOLAR ARRAY WITH A SIDE YARD SETBACK OF 51 FEET.

The meeting of the Village of River Hills Board of Appeals was called to order November 11, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. by Chairman Steve Spector, with Board Members Don Daugherty & Chris Beidel present pursuant to a notice duly published and posted. Also present were Alternate Board of Appeals member Kieran Donohue, Building Inspector Tod Doebler, Village Manager Tammy LaBorde and Deputy Clerk Stephanie Waala.

Arch Electric representative Justin Van Camp explained the documents sent earlier to the board about shading and loss of energy due to the shading.

Board member Chris Beidel askes for clarification on what is the current height of trees and how it applies to the charts. Justin Van Camp clarifies that the charts show all 30 years as if the trees were 65 feet in height.

Alternate Board member Donohue asks for clarification on what is the difference between tree shading and barn shading. Homeowner Dan Handle explains that there is minimal shading from the barn all year long so it is not as much of a factor as the trees.

Chairman Steve Spector asks for clarification on when will the trees be in full height. Mr. Handle informs the board he had contacted a tree company and their estimate would be 30 years.

Board member Beidel asks for clarification of the spreadsheets provided showing kwh value. Mr. Van Camp explained that based off of utility usage there would be a difference of \$5,200 of production value over 30 years.

Motion by Daugherty and seconded by Beidel to approve as submitted, due to the hardship of the neighbor to the south having to cut down trees to prevent shading as well as energy loss over time, and with the contingency that 4 additional trees be planted westerly of the existing pine trees to block the view from Brown Deer Rd; motion carried unanimously.

Homeowner Dan Handle states he would also plant arborvitaes between the pine trees to fill in thin spots.

Steve Spector Board of Appeals Chairman

Tammy LaBorde

Village Manager/Clerk/Treasurer

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