



**Village of River Hills**  
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## **BOARD OF APPEALS MINUTES**

### **Wednesday, November 11, 2020 @ 4:00 pm**

**This meeting was a virtual meeting through GoToMeeting – Meeting code 386-201-949**

**1. Roll Call:** was answered at 4 p.m. by Chairman Steven Spector, Chris Beidel, Don Daugherty, and Alternate Kieran Donohue. Also present: Village Manager Tammy LaBorde, Deputy Clerk Stephanie Waala and Building Inspector Tod Doebler.

**2. Approval of minutes for October 13, 2020.**

Motion by Daugherty and seconded by Donohue to approve as submitted; motion carried unanimously.

**3. Action on Appeal of Dan Handle, 8755 N Dean Cir regarding the Building Inspector's denial of a building permit application for installation of solar array that would have a side yard setback of 51 feet. This is a violation of the Village of River Hills Ordinance Section 7.030 where the minimum side yard setback is 75 feet. Return from October 13, 2020 meeting.**

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

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

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

Board member Beidel asked 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 four (4) additional evergreen trees be planted westerly of the existing pine trees to block the view from Brown Deer Rd, additionally that these trees must be planted by August of 2021; motion carried unanimously.

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

**4. Adjourn**

Motion by Beidel and seconded by Spector to adjourn at 4:36 pm; motion carried unanimously.

Created by Stephanie Waala, Deputy Clerk, on November 13, 2020.