

**ORDINANCE AMENDMENT PUBLIC HEARING  
TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
April 4, 2022**

**Call to Order Public Hearing:** Chairperson Winker called the public hearing to order at 6 p.m. for comments regarding proposed amendments to the Town of Belgium Zoning Ordinance and the Town of Belgium Land Division Ordinance. Zoning Administrator, Charlie Parks, explained the Plan Commission started work a couple years ago to amend the ordinances to include solar and wind power. With the reality of nearby solar operations on prime farmland, the Commission wants to regulate where solar farms can be located. The amendments suggest large scale solar farms to be placed on the least productive farmlands. State laws govern solar/wind power operations, and the Town cannot be more restrictive. Residential solar panels must be placed on the roof in residential areas. Don Feyereisen talked about the proposed amendment which requires zoning permit projects to be completed within 12 months of an approved application or apply for an extension. He also talked about the provision of 'separation of farms' which is still in effect whereas homes built before 1985 in A-1 district can be separated from the farm with 1 ½ acres and required setbacks. Perry Handziak asked about wind power. Parks explained the State governs wind power placement, and the Town cannot be more restrictive.

**Adjourn:** Public hearing adjourned at 6:21.

**Call to Order Town Board Meeting:** Chairperson Tom Winker called the Town Board Meeting to order at 6:21 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance recited. Quorum established. Verification of compliance with WI Open Meetings Law.

**In Attendance:** Supervisors Bill Janeshek and Tom Bichler, Treasurer Dayle Parks, Clerk Ginger Murphy, Zoning Administrator Charlie Parks, Dennis Dimmer, Al Poull, 7 interested persons, and Mitch Maersch from the *Ozaukee Press*.

**Minutes:** Motion Janeshek/Bichler to approve the minutes of the March 7, 2022, Town Board meeting; motion carried.

**Zoning Permits:** Charlie Parks reported zoning permits issued in March:  
#03 Daniel & Hannelore Bruhn, 227 Joans Ct - Addition  
#04 James & Pamela Burkel, 6613 Silver Shores Dr – 12x16 storage shed  
#05 Peter & Brenda Weiss, 5525 Lake Church Rd – Swimming pool

**Roads:** Road grant to pave Silver Beach was approved in the amount of \$690,000. Estimate paving from the railroad tracks to Cty Rd LL will cost a little over \$1 million. This is a 70/30 grant, therefore, the Town will pay 30% over the next several years. Ash trees were cleaned up along Lake Church Rd and Silver Beach Rd. Tree removal will resume weather permitting. Annual road inspection will be performed on April 9 at 6:30 am.

**Transfer Site:** Electronics recycling event on May 14<sup>th</sup> from 9-noon.

**Zoning and Land Division Ordinance Amendments:** Motion Winker/Bichler to approve Zoning and Land Division Ordinance amendments; all voted in favor. Motion carried.

**Citizen Input:** None.

**Audit the Bills:** Monthly invoices were audited and ordered paid.

**Adjourn:** The Town Board meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ginger Murphy, Clerk