

TOWN OF WEST POINT

Plan Commission Meeting & Joint Meeting with the Town Board

The Town of West Point Plan Commission met Thursday, August 8, 1996 at the Town Hall. The meeting was posted in three places.

Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.84, the meeting of the Town of West Point Planning Commission was called to order by Fred Madison. Planning Commission members present were Joyce Sinkule; Doug Richmond; Dick O'Connor, Roger Ballweg, Fred Madison, Dave Cole, Cliff Lawton. Also present was the Town of West Point Board.

MINUTES: Read and motion to amend by Cliff Lawton. Seconded by Dave Cole. Vote: Yes - 6 No - 0. The July 25th minutes list for the agenda on 8/8/96, # 5 Parkland - existing and planned. This item did not appear on the actual 8/8/96 agenda. The Parkland - existing and planned will be placed on the 8/22/96 agenda.

CORRESPONDENCE: Attorney Clark to Fred Madison and Fritz Thistle - deferred to agenda item # 5.

Allen Treinen presented information on Agriculture Shoreline Management from the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (D.A.T.C.P.). The basic format is to provide funding for various types of shoreline protection of agriculture land. There are ordinance requirements the Town of West Point must adapt to allow the program to be implemented. Mr. Dale Gasser of the D.A.T.C.P. will be invited by Allen Treinen to speak to the Planning Commission on September 12, 1996.

This meeting on 8/8/96 is a joint meeting between the Planning Commission and the Town Board for the purpose of discussing various issues of mutual concern to both groups and the Town of West Point. The agenda was predetermined to include the issues listed and closed to other business.

DISCUSSION:

Agenda Item # 4: Revision of the Land Use Plan discussion began with comments by various Town Board and Planning Commission members stating that the Land Plan needed additional as well as continual updating. Listed are areas that the Planning Commission are to address and present to the Town Board.

(A) Additional Mapping, Including water recharge-Town owned land-existing and potential Parkland and conservancy areas.

(B) Explore Gibraltar Rock as a potential for a Town park.

(C) Invite Mr. John Buss of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WI-DNR) to speak to the Planning Commission concerning the relationships between various parties and the Department of Natural Resources as they relate to Parkland, conservancies and the enforcement issues involved.

(D) Prepare an inventory of Town owned land listing current use, possible future uses, and a recommendation to retain ownership, sell or deed back various parcels.

Agenda Item # 5: Rausch Lane and Theresa Lane. Town Board and Planning Commission chairperson had a report addressed to them from Town Attorney Jeff Clark with some mapping relating to the area. A Rausch Lane resident appeared with concerns about the amount of land required and the cost of upgrading the roadway to a Town road. The Town of West Point has the responsibility to review health, welfare, and safety issues as they relate to town liability. There was general agreement that the issues must be addressed to a conclusion. Agreement continued to suggest that the Town of West Point needed more detailed information concerning Town responsibilities and alternatives.

Motion by Cliff Lawton to recommend to the Town Board that Town Attorney Jeff Clark and Town Engineer Joe Costanza provide an assessment of Rausch Land and Theresa Lane as it relates to health, welfare, and safety concerns. The report shall be presented to the Planning Commission by Attorney Jeff Clark and Town Engineer Joe Constanza at the October 10th 1996 Planning Commission meeting. Seconded by Doug Richmond. Vote: Yes - 6 No -0

Agenda Item # 6: Public Hearing Ordinance. Final preparation of an ordinance allowing the Planning Commission authority to hold public hearings continues to be prepared. Item deferred to the 8/22/96 agenda with presentation by Town Attorney Jeff Clark.

Agenda Item # 7: Review information on Utility District. Preparation continues - deferred to 8/22/96 agenda.

Agenda Item # 8: Discuss next meeting agenda:

- (1) Mr. Sharkey - concerns about Heffron C.S.M. of adjacent property.
- (2) Richard Tuluek, N2381 Hwy 188 - for variance
- (3) Public Hearing ordinance - Presentation by Town Attorney Jeff Clark.
- (4) Utility District information review
- (5) Land Use presentation by Joyce Sinkule
- (6) Discuss September 12th 1996 agenda.

Tentative September 12, 1996 Agenda:

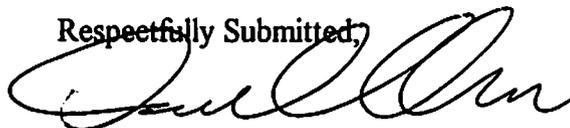
- (1) Dale Gasser - D.A.T.C.P.
- (2) John Buss - WI- DNR

Motion by Doug Richmond that the Town Board and the Planning Commission meet jointly a minimum of twice a year. First meeting to be in may following the Town annual meeting with the second meeting to be held in December. The attendance at the Annual Meeting by the Town Board and the Planning Commission members is strongly recommended. Seconded by Joyce Sinkule. Vote: Yes - 6 No -0.

There was unanimous agreement that this joint meeting was very useful and productive.

The motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:56 PM was made by Dick O'Connor. Motion was seconded by Cliff Lawton. Vote: Yes - 6 No -0.

Respectfully Submitted,



Dick O'Connor