

TOWN OF WEST POINT

Planning Commission Meeting

The Town of West Point Planning Commission convened their Apr. 10, 1997 meeting at 8:20 PM 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 Dave Cole, Doug Richmond, Roger Ballweg, Fred Madison and Joyce Sinkule. Absent: Dick O'Connor and Cliff Lawton.

The minutes from the previous meeting were read. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Dave Cole, seconded by Joyce Sinkule. Motion carried 4-0.

Correspondence: A copy of a letter from Town Engineer Joe Costanza to Ron Steiner of General Engineering regarding the Heffron property was shared among the Commission members. The letter indicated the details needed for finalizing engineering concerns, and Heffron or his representative will appear at a future meeting.

Dave Cole shared a letter from Mike Stapleton, Columbia County Zoning Administrator to town officials stating that a meeting will be held on Apr. 28, 1997 at 7:30 PM in the county's Administration building. The meeting is sponsored by the Columbia County Town Association as a presentation to increase the knowledge of legal issues for Board of Appeal members and others with a mutual interest. Plan Commission members are invited.

Agenda Item # 4: Agricultural Shoreline Ordinance: Fred Madison does not have information and materials prepared for examination and/or consideration.

Agenda Item #5, Town Parks & Recreation: Fred Madison's meeting with Pam is scheduled for April 21, 1997, with this issue to be an agenda item for May 8, 1997.

Discussed town-owned land in a subdivision for park use, the maintenance, liability, and continuity of having parks.

Another area to consider as potential park land is the Wisconsin Power and Light Company land, a wooded hill near Hickory Hills, where scenic beauty should be protected. This suggestion was made by Bill Roarke, citizen.

Agenda Item #6, Howard Hanson: Howard Hanson Sr. and Jr. both appeared and presented a Certified Survey Map (CSM), with his 50+ acre parcel divided into three parcels, one being 5.586 acres in size which would be sold to a neighbor so that the neighbor has access to a portion of his property, another 8-acre parcel has a house and garage on it, and the third 36.34-acre vacant land parcel will be sold as a residential building site. The Commission was concerned that the CSM was creating a substandard lot in an agriculture-zoned area. The Commission instructed the Hansons to meet with Mike Stapleton to get his opinion on the proposed CSM, then contact Joyce Sinkule, who will also confer with Mike Stapleton regarding his opinion. This issue was then tabled until the next meeting for further discussion and possible recommendation to the Town Board.

Agenda Item #7, Subdivision Ordinance: Discussed various issues which should be addressed, added to the Subdivision Ordinance, or further explained for future reference in the ordinance. Also discussed water runoff caused by a neighbor which runs onto adjoining property, and the relationship of this Ordinance with the Soil Erosion Ordinance.

Agenda Item #8, Next Meeting Agenda: 1. Howard Hanson

May 8 Agenda: 1. Agricultural Shoreline Ordinance

Motion to adjourn at 9:30 PM by Doug Richmond. Seconded by Roger Ballweg. Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,


Joyce Sinkule