

TOWN OF WEST POINT**PUBLIC HEARING**

The Public Hearing for Keith and Barbara Brisky was called to order at 8:05 PM by Dave Cole. Mary Brisky, owner of the property, spoke in favor of the request for zoning one acre of agricultural land to residential zoning. Town Chairman Fritz Thistle and Supervisor Allen Trienen, who were present at the meeting, had each received a telephone call from a citizen or neighbor who was not in favor of the rezoning. Public hearing closed at 8:20 PM.

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

The Town of West Point Planning Commission convened a regular meeting on Oct. 9, 1997 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 Dave Cole. Planning Commission members present were Dave Cole, Doug Richmond, Cliff Lawton, and Joyce Sinkule. Absent: Dick O'Connor, Fred Madison and Roger Ballweg.

Agenda Item #3: The minutes from the previous meeting were received in the mail prior to the meeting. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Doug Richmond, seconded by Joyce Sinkule. Motion carried 4-0.

Agenda Item #4: Correspondence: None

Agenda Item #5: Rezoning for Keith and Barbara Brisky: Motion by Cliff Lawton to recommend to the Town Board that the zoning request be denied, based on its violation of the Land Use Plan which does not allow "spot zoning", the size (less than 35 acres, as required by Columbia County), the lack of hardship for the owner or buyer because other 35+ acre tracts are available which do not require a zoning change, and the previous denials by the Plan Commission on behalf of other Town citizens who had similar requests. Seconded by Doug Richmond. Motion carried 4-0.

Agenda Item #6: Request by Grant Tessman: Dave Cole read portions of the Plan Commission minutes from May, 1995. Mr. Tessman has substandard land parcels which are "grand fathered" with prior requirements. Zoning Administrator Mike Stapleton informed Mr. Tessman that a building envelope would need to be described if and when a building was built on either of his land parcels. Mr. Tessman has buyers (present at the meeting) who are willing to deed restrict their proposed purchase with language which would prevent any further subdivision of the land or to have any other residences built on the property. Motion by Doug Richmond to recommend to the Town Board that the 1/2 acre described in the presented documents be allowed, to satisfy the previous zoning requirements. (Parcel location: Part of the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4, Section 25, T.10N.-R.7E.) Seconded by Joyce Sinkule. Motion carried 4-0.

Agenda Item #7: Certified Survey Map (CSM) for William and Mary Brisky:

Surveyor Jim Grothman presented a CSM of a proposed 1.94-acre parcel which includes the farm buildings on the Brisky farm, to be sold to a third-party buyer. Selling the buildings off the farm is currently allowed by Columbia County zoning. The adjacent land and the separate parcel with the buildings shall maintain their agriculture zoning. Motion by Cliff Lawton to recommend to the Town Board that the CSM be approved as presented. Seconded by Doug Richmond. Motion carried 4-0.

Agenda Item #7a: Budget: Budget last year was for \$2,000. Approximately \$220 was spent in 1997. It was recommended that the budget remain the same, with \$500 to be designated for attendance at education meetings, seminars, etc. for the continuing education of the members and also for representation at meetings with the Ice Age Trail group whenever appropriate.

Agenda Item #8: Next Meeting Agenda:

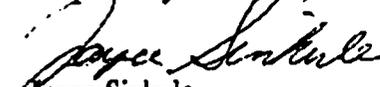
(REMINDER: Oct. 24, 1997 meeting to be held at Badger Swimpools, exclusively to discuss the riverway issues with the citizens of the area.)

Agenda for Nov. 13, 1997 meeting:

1. Parks and Recreation: (Note: This issue will always be an agenda item)
 - A. Cliff Lawton to review the first issue of "On Common Ground", a publication regarding the common objective of satisfying the needs of the general public as well as the municipalities where development is taking place.
 - B. Dick O'Connor to report any information regarding parking area study near STH 60 and CTH 188. Discuss bill which may be forthcoming from the Town Engineer, which will be charged to the Plan Commission budget.
 - C. Fred Madison to report on transferable development rights, etc.
2. Land Use Plan:
 - A. Review the Land Use Plan, and discuss cluster zoning.
 - B. Determine if another survey should be sent to the Town citizens.

Motion to adjourn at 9:25 PM by Doug Richmond. Seconded by Joyce Sinkule. Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,


Joyce Sinkule