

## TOWN OF WEST POINT

### Planning Commission Meeting

The Town of West Point Plan Commission met on Thursday, August 27, 1998 at 8:30 p.m. 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 Joyce Sinkule. Planning Commission members present were: Joyce Sinkule, Dave Cole, Doug Richmond Cliff Lawton and Gordon Carncross. Absent was Fred Madison and Dick O'Connor.

**DEVELOPMENT REVIEW:** Joyce Sinkule, Dave Cole and Gordon Carncross met at Selwood at 7:30 p.m. and took a walking tour of the development. Fences are in place, weeds are cut, roadways are well-maintained but commission members question whether enough trees have been planted - commission members also viewed the sewage facility.

**MINUTES:** Minutes from the August 13th meeting were mailed to each plan commission member prior to the meeting. A motion was made by Dave Cole to approve the minutes, 2nd by Doug Richmond - Yes - 4 No - 0 - minutes were approved.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Dave Cole reported that a vision problem at the entrance to Selwood was taken care of by mowing the weeds.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Joyce passed around to other members an audio conference training series by the American Planning Association. Cliff moved to have Joyce choose 2 sessions appropriate for the West Point commission members and register for them before a September 11 deadline, Dave seconded - Yes - 4 No - 0 - motion carried

#### **Agenda Item #6 - Parks and Recreation**

It was reported that Dick is following up on matters pertaining to the DNR property parking lot. Dave reported that Ice Age Trail matters are supposed to begin happening in September. Dave and Fred and "people from Lodi" are to make initial contacts with affected property owners.

### **Agenda Item # 7 - Variance Policy**

Cliff passed out some materials (zoning appeal procedure) that the City of Middleton uses, in hopes that West Point could streamline the process as people come before the commission. Much discussion took place about the guidelines the West Point Planning Commission already follows. Each commission member is to define "hardship and practical difficulty: in not allowing accepted use of property before our next meeting.

### **Agenda Item # 8 - Development Moratorium**

Doug explained how the Town of Prairie du Sac developed a moratorium so they can review their land-use plan. Fred has not presented us with the Town of Dunn moratorium yet. Much discussion occurred about the pros and cons of a moratorium. Dave was concerned about possible law suits. Cliff wants us to obtain current West Point growth rates and projected future growth rates.

### **Agenda Item # 9 - Agenda for September 10, 1998 meeting:**

1. Development Review - the commission will meet at 6:00 p.m. on September 10, 1998 at Fjords at Hwy. 188 for development review. The meeting will reconvene at 8:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.
2. Parks and Recreation
3. Variance Policy
4. Development Moratorium

### **Agenda Item #10 - Adjournment**

Motion was made by Dave Cole to adjourn the meeting at 10:10 p.m., 2nd by Cliff Lawton - motion carried.

Respectively Submitted

Gordon Carncross