

TOWN OF WEST POINT

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING FEBRUARY 11, 1999

Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.84, the meeting of the Town of West Point Planning Commission was convened at the Town Hall on February 11, 1999, at 8:04 PM. The meeting was posted in three places. The meeting was called to order by Fred Madison. Planning Commission members present were Fred Madison, Dave Cole, Gordon Carncross, Joyce Sinkule, Cliff Lawton, Doug Richmond and Dick O'Connor.

Agenda Item #2: Approve Minutes: Motion Joyce Sinkule, seconded by Dave Cole to approve minutes of the January 14, and January 20, 1999 meetings. Motion carried 6-0.

Agenda Item #3: Old Business: None.

Agenda Item #4: Correspondence: Letter from Jeff and Dodi Palmer regarding potential parking lot on DNR property along the Wisconsin River. They expressed their opposition to any parking lot in the area.

Agenda Item #5: Parking Lot For Area Near Highway 60, Highway 188 and Golf Road: Dick O'Connor gave an overview of the history of the area over the last two years, and why a parking lot is being proposed. Don Wescott of the Columbia County Sheriffs Department discussed problems that have occurred in the past. Wayne Schutte, Department of Natural Resources talked about joint venture between DNR and Town of West Point for a parking lot and the DNR's role in monitoring activity.

Comments From Homeowners In The Area: Wendy Carlson (HWY 188) Not in favor of parking lot. Concerned with problems it will bring.

Henry Werlik - Opposed to parking lot. People can park on road.

Jim Gray - Opposed. Feels it will bring bad elements.

Alan Treinen - Sheriff should be called if people are creating problems.

Dan Baun (Golf Road) - Does not want to be an enforcer or police area.

Fred Madison - Addressed crowd and asked group to give suggestions as to how to solve our problems.

Wayne Schutte - Expressed his feeling on how to help solve problems.

Janis Baun - Does not want parking lot for people that want to enjoy the area.

Cliff Lawton asked Wayne Schutte if a study has been done on the need for a parking lot for the area. Wayne was not aware of a study.

Fritz Thistle (West Point Town Board Chairman) - Stated that Town needs to make a safe situation in the area.

Randy Wruck - Police response to problems has been excellent in the last year.

All but two of the local residents present spoke against a parking lot.

Agenda Item #6: Sub Division (Scharkey Property) - Sue Pfeil Presented an updated plot plan for discussion. There are still two potential problems: 1) water runoff and 2) cul-de-sac length. Dick O'Connor made a motion, seconded by Doug Richmond for the Planning Commission to review cul-de-sac ordinance. Motion carried 6-0. To be on April 8th Agenda.

Agenda Item #7: Shoreland Preservation: Fred and Dave will do a census of potential problem areas.

Agenda Item #8: Ice Age Trail: Supposedly ready to start visiting prospective landowners.

Agenda Item #9: Adjourn Meeting: Motion by Joyce Sinkule, seconded by Gordon Carncross. Motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Richmond