

## TOWN OF WEST POINT

### PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING JANUARY 13, 2000

Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.84, the meeting of the Town of West Point Planning Commission was convened at the Town Hall on January 13, 2000, at 8:10 PM. The meeting was posted in three places. The meeting was called to order by Doug Richmond. Planning Commission members present were Cliff Lawton, Dick O'Connor and Doug Richmond. Also present was Town Board Chairman, Fritz Thistle, and Town Board Members, Alan Treinen and Robert Davis.

Agenda Item #2: Approve Minutes: Motion by Dick O'Connor to approve minutes, seconded by Cliff Lawton. Approved 6-0.

Agenda Item #3: Correspondence: Fritz Thistle indicated that he would like a member from the Planning Commission to attend the Citizen Advisory Committee on County Land Use. Dick O'Connor would like to see the meeting schedule to determine if he would be able to attend. Fritz will obtain a meeting schedule.

Agenda Item #3A: Old Business: Meeting minutes from the Sauk Prairie Sewer Commission were discussed. Not much action at this time. Consensus was to continue to receive minutes.

Agenda Item #4: Variance for Jeffrey and Doreen Sieburg: Jeffrey and Doreen Sieburg were before the Commission requesting a variance from the 25' side setback requirement. They currently own Lot 12 and Lot 13, Lakeland Hills Subdivision. They want to sell Lot 12 and build on Lot 13 and would like the variance to clear any potential problems with current Lot 12. After discussion, they were instructed to check further with Attorney Jeffrey Clark and the County as to whether a variance is truly needed. A Public Hearing is scheduled for January 27, 2000, at 8:00 p.m.

Agenda Item #5: Utility District: Motion to table until next meeting by Fritz Thistle, seconded by Dick O'Connor. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #6: 35 Acre Rule: Discussion followed on what would replace the 35 acre rule if it is eliminated as a requirement for purchasing ag land. The group questioned whether Towns would be able to keep the 35 acre rule under local jurisdiction if the rule was eliminated by the State. Everyone agreed that the current rule is not working as intended, but research will be needed to determine what will be a good replacement. Items to be considered in a new zoning requirement would be clustering, reclassification of ag land into different classifications than we currently have, woodlands and wild life being disturbed and the establishment of a Utility District.

Agenda Item #7: Next Meeting Agenda (January 27, 2000): Public Hearing Sieburg, Variance Sieburg, Utility District and 35 Acre Rule.

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Agenda Item #9: Adjourn Meeting. Motion to adjourn by Alan Treinen, seconded by Dick O'Connor. Motion approved 6-0 at 8:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Sharon Richmond*

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Recording Secretary