

Town of West Point  
Plan Commission Minutes  
March 15, 2012

Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes s. 19.84 the Plan Commission of the Town of West Point held its semi-monthly meeting on Thursday, March 15, 2012 at the West Point Town Hall, N2114 Rausch Road, Lodi, Wisconsin. The meeting agenda was posted in three places as required by law and on the town's web site. Chairman Kevin Kessler called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. Members present were Kevin Kessler, Nathan Sawyer, Wayne Houston, Fred Madison, Byron Olson (7:45 p.m.), and. Also present were Edith K. Eberle, Town Clerk. Absent was Sheila Landsverk, and Gordon Carncross (Town Board Representative).

Agenda #2 – Approval of Agenda – A motion was made by Fred Madison to approve the agenda as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wayne Houston – motion carried unanimously.

Agenda #3 Approve Minutes – Copies of the March 1, 2012 Plan Commission minutes had been emailed to each member for their review. A motion was made by Fred Madison to approve the minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nathan Sawyer – motion carried unanimously.

Agenda #4 Correspondence – There will be a meeting of the Wisconsin Towns Association March 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at the Columbia County Law Enforcement. On the agenda is new Columbia County Zoning Ordinances and Columbia County Highway billing. Nathan Sawyer stated that within the next week they will be taking down the towers near State Highway 60.

Agenda #5 Citizen Input – None

Agenda #6 Variance Application request has been received from Karen Dean – Tax Parcel #741.2, at N2495 State Road 188, Lodi, WI 53555. The property is location in Section 11, Town 10N, Range 7E, Lot 2 of CSM 755-230. The Variance request is to Columbia County Zoning Ordinance Section 16-1-19(a)(1) Highway Setback Lines – Karen Dean came before the Plan Commission to explain that she would like to build a 24' x 28' garage with one door. Karen Dean had presented pictures and 4 different

scenarios. Randy Thompson from Columbia County Planning and Zoning has visited the site and likes scenario #1 as there will only be 3 trees that would have to be removed. Karen Dean explained that there is a dead end old road in front of her property and the proposed garage will be 131 feet from the center of State Highway 188. A motion was made by Fred Madison to determine that Karen Dean's application is complete and to schedule a public hearing on April 5, 2011, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wayne Houston. There was discussion on where is the location the well and septic (holding tank), including the neighbors. Karen Dean was asked to bring measurements of the distance from the proposed building site to the next meeting. The motion was carried unanimously.

Agenda #7 New Columbia County Zoning Ordinance – The Town Clerk asked the Plan Commission to consider changing the timeline for public hearing's to allow the Town of West Point to make recommendations to Columbia County Planning and Zoning prior to there public hearing. The Code of Ordinances will also have to be changed. This will be on future agenda's.

Agenda #8 Update on Crystal Lake - Kevin Kessler was present and stated that he had attended a meeting on March 8th with David Padley representing the Lake District, representatives of Friends of Lower Wisconsin River, and the attorney for the Lake District. The following was discussed:

- The Lake District would like to dredge drainage ditches leading to Roxbury Creek, but has not been able to obtain regulatory approval.
- The DNR's proposed effluent standard for total suspended solids (TSS) is 10 milligrams per liter for Roxbury Creek whereas the limit for pumping from Fish Lake to the Lower Wisconsin was 20 milligrams per liter TSS.

Money from the State is contingent upon the Lake District receiving the necessary regulatory approvals before the monies are released.

Agenda #9 Town Board Report – Kevin Kessler gave a partial report regarding a proposed non-metallic mining ordinance (Kevin Kessler was present) at the March 8, 2012 Town Board meeting. Gordon Carncross can give the remaining report at the next Plan Commission meeting.

Agenda #10 Next Meeting Agenda and Date – The next meeting will be April 5, 2012. On the agenda will be public hearing for Karen Dean

variance request, recommendation on the variance request, Town Board Report and any other business that may legally be brought before the Plan Commission.

Agenda #11 Adjourn Meeting. A motion was made by Fred Madison to adjourn the March 15, 2012 Plan Commission meeting at 8:25 p. m., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Byron Olson - motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by,  
*Edith K. Eberle*, Town Clerk