

Town of West Point  
Plan Commission Minutes  
May 16, 2024

Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes s. 19.84 the Plan Commission of the Town of West Point held its semi-monthly meeting on May 16, 2024, at the West Point Town Hall, N2114 Rausch Road, Lodi, WI 53555, and via Zoom. The meeting agenda was posted in three places as required by law and on the Town's website. Chairman Kevin Kessler called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Members in attendance were Kevin Kessler, Nathan Sawyer (7:04pm), Les McBurney, Brooke Milde, Jennifer Brooks, Ron Grasshoff, and Darrell Lehman. Also present was Taffy Buchanan, Clerk.

Agenda #2 – Approval of Agenda – A motion was made by Ron Grasshoff to approve the agenda as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Les McBurney – motion carried unanimously.

Agenda #3 Approve Minutes – April 18, 2024 – Copies of the April 18, 2024, Plan Commission minutes had been emailed to each member for their review. A motion was made by Ron Grasshoff to approve the April 18, 2024, minutes as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Darrell Lehman – motion carried unanimously.

Agenda #4 Correspondence – Chuck Stampfli submitted a variance request and will be on the next Plan Commission agenda. The Clerk received nomination papers to obtain signatures for Sue Moll, County Clerk, Stacy Opalewski, County Treasurer, and Christine Clark, County Register of Deeds, if anyone is interested in signing them. Columbia County Board of Adjustments has an opening if anyone is interested, they should contact Doug Richmond. The signed easement agreement was received from Teri Rae Olson for a driveway she hopes to put in.

Agenda #5 Citizen Input – None

Agenda #6 Public Hearing for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for a Tourist Rooming House request has been received from Susan Abplanalp, property owner of N2183 State Highway 188, Lodi, WI. 53555 - Tax Parcel #11040-47. The Conditional Use Permit is required by Columbia County Zoning Ordinance Section 12.110.02. The house is a single-family dwelling and the property is zoned SF-1

Single Family Residential. The property owner has requested approval to use the residence for short term rental or Tourist Rooming House which is allowed under the County Zoning Ordinance with a conditional use permit. - The public hearing was opened at 7:16pm. Taffy Buchanan, Town Clerk, verified the notice was published in the Lodi Enterprise and the Star News; was posted in three places and on the Town's website; and 62 letters were sent to landowners within 1000 feet. Susan Abplanalp stated she has owned the property for ten years and her family uses it in the summer and holidays. She said she would like to rent it out so other people can enjoy the property also. No one else presented comments or registered at the public hearing and no other written comments were received. The public hearing was closed at 7:18pm

Agenda #7 Conditional Use Permit for a Tourist Rooming House - Susan Abplanalp, N2183 State Highway 188, Lodi - Tax Parcel #11040-47. - A motion was made by Darrell Lehman to recommend to the Town Board to support the CUP for Susan Abplanalp subject to the seventeen conditions suggested for consideration in the County Summary Report and the added condition the applicant supplies proof of commercial insurance covering the property for this use, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron Grasshoff – motion carried unanimously.

Agenda # 8 CSM Review for a lot-line adjustment for Jeryl P. Hintzsche Trust 2006 & Jacob & Emily Donovan, Parcels #11040-64.01, #11040-64.02, and #11040-64.03. – Jeryl & David Hintzsche presented their proposal for the lot-line adjustment. Currently there are three lots and they would like to divide the middle lot up between the other two lots, because they are not going to sell the middle lot and the other lots can have more land. A motion was made by Darrell Lehman to postpone action pending receipt of proof of ownership and proof of authorization to act as trustee for this activity, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Les McBurney – motion carried unanimously. The Clerk will send the “proof” to the Town Attorney to make sure it is sufficient.

Agenda #9 Informal Presentation by Jamie & Nathan Nehring, W13070 State Road 188, Parcel #11040-26.04, for a Land Division. – Nathan Nehring sent an email that they were unable to attend the meeting. A motion was made by Darrell Lehman to postpone until they can attend, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nathan Sawyer – motion carried unanimously.

Agenda #10 Election of Plan Commission Officers – A motion was made by Ron Grasshoff to nominate Kevin Kessler to Plan Commission Chair, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Les

McBurney. No one else was nominated. Kevin Kessler is the Plan Commission Chair. A motion was made by Nathan Sawyer to nominate Darrell Lehman to Plan Commission Vice-Chair, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron Grasshoff. No one else was nominated. Darrell Lehman is the Plan Commission Vice-Chair.

Agenda #11 Next Meeting Date – The next meeting will be scheduled for June 6, 2024.

Agenda #12 Adjourn - A motion was made by Darrell Lehman to adjourn the May 16, 2024, Plan Commission meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Les McBurney –motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:02pm.

Respectfully Submitted by  
*Taffy Buchanan*, Town Clerk