

Plan Commission Minutes

Wednesday, September 6, 2017

6:30 PM

St. Joseph Town Hall

The meeting was called to order by Chair Anton Rang; statement of public notice and dates of upcoming meetings noted.

Roll Call: Present, Anton Rang, Daniel Lynch, Steve Balfanz, Theresa Schousek, Joy Packard, Jason Coyle, Laurie DeRosier (alt), Carolyn Barrette (alt). Chris Matter excused. Others: Donna Zastrow-Sammon, Bill Dunn, John & Dorothy Depies.

Motion by Lynch, second Balfanz, to adopt the agenda. Carried.

Public Comment: John and Dorothy Depies, 1381 Fox Ridge Trail, presented an issue regarding a lot near corner of 50th and Valley View which has a driveway/road issue due to number of lots already on the driveway. DePies were looking for various options for access to their lot and will be bringing the matter before the Plan Commission and Town Board again.

Items for discussion: Seim concept. No one was present to represent the parcel. Bill Dunn, 54th St, questioned the status of the parcel and whether any of the lots had been sold. He was concerned about the access to 54th off Co Rd E, the status of 54th as a town road, and connectivity of adjacent land to the south parcel lots. He was concerned about the low areas and slopes in the whole parcel, and the connection to Blue Bird, a private road.

NRDS – Chair Spaniol forwarded a proposal from West Central Regional Planning Commission (WCWRPC) in which they would review NRDS and what Town might do, hold public info meetings and prepare for Town action by end of year. Their activities can be funded by MOU money under St. Joseph’s ordinance review and preparation category. **Balfanz moved to recommend to the Town Board to accept the WCWRPC proposal dated 9/5/17. Coyle seconded, carried.**

The County Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance work group will hold a meeting in Star Prairie on Monday, Sept 11. DeRosier and Barrette will attend. Spaniol is the official Town member to the group.

Commission membership: Donna Zastrow, Bill Dunn and Mike Rivard are potential members. Rang said the Commission is looking for people willing to dedicate time, have an interest in the future of the Town, and a willingness to learn Town ordinances, state and county laws, must be willing deal with topics that can be issues and make decisions, look at long term effects, and set directions to guide the future of the Town. Meetings are generally once a month.

Town Ordinance Updates: Lynch reviewed ordinances and will forward his report. Discussion regarding eCode360 and enCodePlus. enCodePlus is what the County will be using and is more user friendly. It was also pointed out that eCode360 would require that all Town ordinances would be renumbered. **Schousek moved that the Plan Commission recommend to the Town Board that the Town use the enCodePlus service to update Town Code of Ordinances because the costs are essentially the same and the County will be using it. Balfanz seconded, carried.**

Minutes of August 2 were approved on motion by Balfanz, seconded Rang, carried.

Next agenda: DePies, NRDS, Ordinance updates.

Rang adjourned the meeting.

Carolyn Barrette, Secretary