

Town of Adams Plan Commission

September 19, 2019

Plan Commission Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Alan Niemeier at 7:05pm. Roll call was taken with all members present.

It was noted that meeting notices were properly posted.

Public attendance: Paul and Amy Wagner, Kris Hasse (Hasse Surveying), Matt Maurer, Tom Ziller.

The July 18th, 2019 meeting minutes were read and approved with name corrections. Motion to approve by Lydia, second by Evan, motion carried.

Old Business

Alan reported the website updates requested were completed. Plan Commission member names yet to be completed but Alan will handle.

Public Requests

Discussion reconvened from the May meeting on the request from Paul and Amy Wagner for a land division on their White Oak Road 30-acre parcel. In addition to noting the circumstances laid out in the July 18th meeting minutes, Paul stated the division request was likely to be 5 – 7 acres as opposed to the 2 acres previously reported. After considerable discussion, Evan made a motion to approve the request and suggested a member vote. John seconded the motion. Motion carried by a 3 – 2 vote. Alan will bring the matter to the Town Board for their consideration.

Kris Hasse (Hasse Surveying) presented a proposed land division split on Prairie View Road on behalf of Tom Ziller. Primary considerations included a 24' existing driveway easement and a 3.84-acre division with an existing dwelling. Tom Ziller explained the rationale for the request. Kirk made a motion to approve, Evan seconded. Motion carried. Alan will present the matter to the Town Board.

The Corcoran Land Division and driveway permit (previously approved) request, and the associated investigation into the land division appropriateness for a building site was discussed with John reporting feedback from Monica Hodgson and the county that there were no issues. Next step for Corcoran/Wade is to finalize before the Town Board.

Matt Maurer informed the Plan Commission of his intent to build a field access on Apple Grove Road. His intent is to build the access to Driveway specifications so that, if needed, it would be appropriate for a driveway in the future. After discussion, the Plan Commission concluded there were no concerns and no action of the Commission's part was needed.

New Business

Livestock Ordinance – The Plan Commission had submitted a recommendation to the Town Board earlier in the year recommending further investigation in three areas (see May meeting minutes). As a

part of that, Alan, as a board member, contacted the Wisconsin Town Association (Lara Carlson) seeking their advice on the appropriateness and implications of having a Town of Adams Livestock Ordinance. The Plan Commission discussed the WTAs feedback and additionally noted recent State consideration of giving local governments additional flexibility in siting rules (setbacks). John made a motion to drop the Livestock Ordinance work at present and revisit in the future at the Town Board's request. Alan seconded. Motion carried. Alan will carry the carry the recommendation to the Board.

Plan Commission members discussed the appropriateness of the current every other month meeting schedule in light of many public issues brought forward in the prior months. We concluded the existing schedule was adequate but we would consider adding "off-month" meetings on an as needed basis.

The Plan Commission members also discussed finalizing the transition to the new members with formalizing the Chairperson and Secretary positions at a future meeting.

Next Meeting

The next plan Commission meeting will be November 21st at 7pm at the Town Hall.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Alan; second by Evan. Meeting adjourned at 8:23pm.

Respectfully submitted,

John Bridgeland