



PORTAGE COUNTY

MEETING MINUTES

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

PORTAGE COUNTY ANNEX
CONFERENCE ROOM 5
1462 STRONGS AVENUE
STEVENS POINT, WI 54481

Tuesday, September 23, 2025

5:00 PM

REMOTE ATTENDANCE & COMMENT

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CALL TO ORDER

The Planning and Zoning Committee meeting was called to order at 5:00pm by Chair Miresse.

Members Present: Amberle Schwartz, Janell Wehr, Steve Cieslewicz, Vinnie Miresse, Larry Raikowski

Staff Attending: Dan Bowers, Kristen Johnson, Tyler Kunze, Camryn Brewbaker

CORRESPONDENCE

1. August Vendor Invoices

Reviewed the August Vendor Invoices.

2. Planning and Zoning Department Activity Report as of September 17, 2025

Reviewed the Planning and Zoning Department Activity Report as of September 17, 2025.

REPORTS

3. Special Meeting Attendance Reports (Portage County Ordinance 3.1.47 & 3.1.48)

No Report.

4. Planning and Zoning Assistant Director - Project Update on Zoning Code Rewrite

Dan Bowers updated the committee on the zoning code rewrite.

5. County Planner - Project Update on Safe Streets For All Project

Kristen Johnson updated the committee on the Safe Streets and Roads For All Project.

PUBLIC HEARING

6. REQ-2025-004 – A request by Greg Marsicek Sr, owner and agent for Greg Marsicek Jr, to amend the Town of Hull Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map designation of parcels 020240818-16.03, 020240818-15.06, and 020240819-02.18, totaling 50.25 acres, from Residential, Rural Residential, Natural Areas Protected and Natural Areas Limited to Rural Residential (38 acres) and Natural Areas Protected (12.25 acres); and to amend the zoning classification of the same parcels from R2 Single Family Residential to A4 General Agricultural (38 acres) and Conservancy (12.25 acres) - Town of Hull

A motion was made by Larry Raikowski, seconded by Amberle Schwartz, to close the public hearing. Motion to close the public hearing carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

7. REQ-2025-005 – A request by Larry and Rhonda Fechter, owners, to amend the Town of New Hope Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map designation of .22 acres out of 6.83 acres included in parcel 026241015-12.13, from L2 Intermediate Agriculture to Residential; and to amend the zoning classification of the same area from A1 Exclusive Agricultural to R2 Single Family Residence - Town of New Hope

A motion was made by Steve Cieslewicz, seconded by Janell Wehr, to close the public hearing. Motion to close the public hearing carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

8. REQ-2025-006 – A request by Kate Taylor, owner as well as agent for owner Sara Studinski, to amend the Town of Sharon Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map designation of parcels 032240909-10.24 and 032240909-11.01, totaling 9.87 acres, from Residential to L3 Limited Agriculture/Mixed Use; and to amend the zoning classification of the same parcels from R2 Single Family Residence to A3 Low Density Agricultural - Town of Sharon

A motion was made by Larry Raikowski, seconded by Amberle Schwartz, to close the public hearing. Motion to close the public hearing carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

9. REQ-2025-007 – A request by Ronald Hensler, owner, to amend the zoning classification of parcel 032240913-01, totaling 40 acres, from A1 Exclusive Agricultural to A3 Low Density Agricultural - Town of Sharon

A motion was made by Steve Cieslewicz, seconded by Janell Wehr, to close the public hearing. Motion to close the public hearing carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Members of the public who wish to address the Committee on specific agenda items must register their request at this time, with such comments subject to the public comment ordinance and the reasonable control of the Committee Chair as set forth in Robert's Rules of Order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

10. Approval of August 26, 2025 Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Larry Raikowski, seconded by Janell Wehr, to approve minutes. Motion to approve minutes carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

11. Discussion/Possible Action Re: REQ-2025-004 Marsicek Future Land Use and Rezoning - Town of Hull

A motion was made by Larry Raikowski, seconded by Janell Wehr, to Approve. Motion to Approve carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

12. Discussion/Possible Action Re: REQ-2025-005 Fechter Future Land Use and Rezoning - Town of New Hope

A motion was made by Larry Raikowski, seconded by Janell Wehr, to Approve.
The motion to Approve Passed by the following vote:

4 Yes: Amberle Schwartz, Janell Wehr, Vinnie Miresse, Larry Raikowski
1 No: Steve Cieslewicz
0 Abstain: None

13. Discussion/Possible Action Re: REQ-2025-006 Taylor Future Land Use and Rezoning - Town of Sharon

A motion was made by Janell Wehr, seconded by Larry Raikowski, to Approve. Motion to Approve carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

14. Discussion/Possible Action Re: REQ-2025-007 Hensler Rezoning - Town of Sharon

A motion was made by Steve Cieslewicz, seconded by Janell Wehr, to Approve. Motion to Approve carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

NEXT MEETING DATE Joint Committee Meeting with the Land and Water Conservation Committee Tuesday, October 28, 2025

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:42pm.