



PORTAGE COUNTY

MEETING MINUTES

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

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

Tuesday, March 28, 2023

5:00 PM

REMOTE ATTENDANCE & COMMENT

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CALL TO ORDER

The Planning and Zoning Committee meeting was called to order at 5:05 PM.

Members Present: Larry Raikowski, Barry Jacowski, Julie Morrow, Mike Splinter, Pat Keller

Staff Attending: Kristen Johnson, Amy Heins, Tracy Arnold, Chris Mrdutt, Dan O'Connell, Dan Bowers

Attending In-Person: Scott Soik - District 19 Supervisor, John Pavelski - County Executive, Richard Pingel, Charlie & Jean Iverson, Darrie Nelson, Deon Nelson, John Eron

Attending Online: Jennifer Josie, David Hickethier, Metro Wire

PUBLIC HEARING

1. REQ-2023-001 – A request by Darrie Nelson, agent for Riverside Bible Conference, to amend the Town of Lanark Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map designation of parcels 022221014-03.04 and 022221014-02 as follows: 28.01 acres from L3 Limited Agriculture/Mixed Use to Institutional, 4.02 acres from Natural Areas Protected to Institutional, and .86 acres from Natural Areas Limited to Institutional; and to amend the zoning classification of the same parcels as follows: 3.9 acres from Conservancy to A2 Agricultural Transition, 1.06 acres from Rural Limited to A2 Agricultural Transition, and .09 acres from Rural Limited to Conservancy.

A motion was made by Barry Jacowski to close the public hearing, seconded by Splinter. Motion passed by voice vote, with no negative votes.

CORRESPONDENCE

2. 2022 Portage County POWTS Audit Letter

PUBLIC NOTICE

3. 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 reasonable control of the Committee Chair as set forth in Robert's Rules of Order.

Darrie Nelson registered to speak on agenda item 6 if needed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4. Review - Vouchers and Procurement Card Authorizations

Larry Raikowski noted for the record that vouchers and procurement authorizations have been reviewed.

5. Approval of February 14, 2023 Minutes

A motion was made by Julie Morrow, seconded by Mike Splinter, to approve. Motion to approve passed by voice vote, with no negative votes.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

6. Discussion/Possible Action - Riverside Bible Conference (REQ-2023-001) - Town of Lanark

A motion was made by Barry Jacowski, seconded by Julie Morrow, to approve. Motion to approve passed by voice vote, with no negative votes.

7. Discuss/Possible Action – Adopting and Enacting Portage County Ordinance Section 7.12, Weed Commissioner and Noxious Weeds

Barry Jacowski moved to send the ordinance to the Land and Water Conservation Committee (LWCC) to review first; the motion was seconded by Larry Raikowski. Hickethier clarified that the ordinance does not need to be acted on before the next agenda item "Reappointment of the Weed Commissioner". Motion to approve passed by voice vote, with no negative votes.

8. Discussion/Possible Action - Reappointment of John Eron as Portage County Weed Commissioner for 2023-2024

A motion was made by Barry Jacowski, seconded by Mike Splinter, to approve the reappointment of Jon Eron. Motion to approve passed by voice vote, with no negative votes.

9. Discuss/Possible Action – Budget Amendment Transfer Request and Weed Commissioner Agreement

A motion was made by Mike Splinter, seconded by Pat Keller, to approve. Motion to approve passed by voice vote, with no negative votes.

10. Discussion/Possible Action - Approving and Authorizing the Joint Development Agreement Between Portage Solar, LLC, the Town of Grant, the Town of Plover, and Portage County to Construct and Operate a Photovoltaic Electrical Generating Facility

A motion was made by Mike Splinter, seconded by Pat Keller, to approve. Motion to approve passed by voice vote, with no negative votes.

11. Discussion/Possible Action - Private Sewage System Ordinance Amendments

Per Barry Jacowski's request, Mrdutt will put together language for nitrate reduction systems and bring it back to the next meeting. A motion was made by Larry Raikowski to move the Ordinance forward to municipalities for review, seconded by Mike Splinter. Motion to approve passed by voice vote, with no negative votes.

12. Discussion/Possible Action Re: Regarding Special Meeting Attendance (Portage County Ordinance 3.1.47 & 3.1.48)

- Request for special meeting attendance
- Approval of attendance of special meetings
- Special meeting attendance reports

Larry Raikowski approved Barry Jacowski and Mike Splinter to attend the "Wisconsin's Public Trust Doctrine in the 21st Century: Challenges and Opportunities" workshop at the Wisconsin Lakes and Rivers Convention on April 19, 2023.

REPORTS

13. Portage County-Wide Well Water Quality 2022

14. Nonmetallic Mining Reclamation Ordinance Presentation

Presentation on file.

15. County Comprehensive Plan

The first meeting is set for April 20th, 2023 at 2:00 pm. At this time, there is no representation on the Steering Committee for the Town of Belmont, Village of Amherst or Village of Park Ridge.

16. 2023 Permits to Date

Permit updates to switch to quarterly instead of monthly.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next standard meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 5:00 PM. in Conference Room 5.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Barry Jacowski, seconded by Mike Splinter, to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 6:17 PM.

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