

## MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF OMRO PLANNING COMMISSION

Omro Town Hall, 4205 Rivermoor Road, Omro, WI

October 3, 2019

6:30 P.M.

Notice of this meeting was posted on the Town of Omro Web Page and the posting board at the Omro Town Hall. It was mailed to the Omro Herald and the Oshkosh Northwestern.

Present: Commissioners Rich Kern, Joy Schwarz, Larry Remer, Barbara Meyers, and Phil Ertmer.  
Absent: Brian Noe and Chris Musha.

Chairman Rich Kern called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

### **Approve Minutes**

MOTION: Joy Schwarz moved to approve the minutes of September 5, 2019. Barbara Meyers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **Announcements and Reports**

No announcements or reports.

**Preliminary CSM Discussion**: Eric and Wally Wagner presented a revised concept for a storage facility between Highway 21 and La Crosse Drive for commission input review. Eric Wagner presented a slide presentation which addressed many of the concerns of the residents of the area. He gave statistics and showed maps which answered many questions about property values, traffic density, crime, light pollution, and aesthetics. A lengthy discussion followed which included the zoning, and the aforementioned items. Many of the neighbors present were opposed to the idea of the storage buildings, even with the proposed changes.

Rich Kern halted further discussion due to the procedure rule limiting discussion to 30 minutes, and asked the Commissioners for a Motion to continue another 30 minutes.

MOTION: Barbara Meyers moved to continue the discussion for another 30 minutes. Seconded by Joy Schwarz. Motion carried.

Further discussion followed with Mark Krings and Eric Wagner suggesting the benefits to the neighbors and the Town as opposed to alternative development. Neighbors expressing concerns were: Joan and Ken Woolf, Bob Slavik, and Debbie and David Rupnow.

**Preliminary CSM Discussion**: Survey prepared by Mark R. Tomashek of New Frontier Land Surveying for parcel 0160306. The purpose of this CSM is to separate the farm buildings and approximately 8 acres into a separate parcel and to present a modified preliminary concept for the development of the remaining parcels discussed at the September 5th PC meeting.

A discussion between Mr. Tomashek and the commissioners brought up details about zoning, planned lot size, and the sanitary services required.

MOTION: Larry Remer moved to recommend to the Town Board that they approve the CSM to separate the farm buildings and approximately 8 acres into a separate parcel contingent upon the County approving the zoning change back to A-2 from R-1 and payment in lieu of parkland dedication be made to the Town of Omro. Seconded by Phil Ertmer.

MOTION: Larry Remer moved to amend the previous motion, asking also that the appropriate fees be paid. Barbara Meyers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The main motion as amended was carried.

**ATV/UTV:** Review action taken by Winnebago County allowing ATVs to use specified County roadways on a one-year trial basis. Rich Kern indicated that he has not yet obtained a copy of the County's Ordinance, so there was little the Commission could review at this point. Phil Lux expressed his desire to see the Planning Commission allow a one-year trial of ATVs on specified county roads along the lines approved by the County. Additional discussion occurred regarding various perspectives and concerns of the proposal.

MOTION: Phil Ertmer moved to recommend that the Town Board consider a one-year trial of ATVs in the Town of Omro on designated roads following the county's guidelines. Larry Remer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Parks and Recreation Budget for 2020:** Discussion.

MOTION: Larry Remer moved to recommend that the Town Board approve the Parks and Recreation committee budget for 2020. Seconded by Joy Schwarz. Motion carried.

**Town Meeting Calendar Final Review:** Chris Muscha, Chairman of the Parks Committee has requested changing the Committee meeting times from 4:45 to 3:30. No motion at this time. It was the consensus that we wait until the November or December meeting to recommend approval by the Board of the 2020 Meetings Calendar in order to capture any last minute changes or additions.

**Parks and Recreation Subcommittee:** No burning of the Priske Park prairie is planned for this fall (per Barbara Meyers).

## **Adjournment**

MOTION: Barbara Meyers moved to adjourn. Phil Ertmer seconded the motion. Motion carried. This meeting adjourned at 9:20 P.M.

Minutes by  
Cheryl Gardner/Recording Secretary

Approved minutes of the Town of Omro Planning Commission.