

**TOWN OF OSCEOLA  
PLAN COMMISSION MEETING  
JUNE 15, 2009  
MINUTES**

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The Plan Commission of the Town of Osceola met for a regular monthly meeting Monday, June 15, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, Dresser, Wisconsin.

The agenda for this meeting was published in The SUN newspaper and posted at the Town Hall, the Dresser Post Office, Rural American Bank and the Town of Osceola Website on Friday June 5, 2009.

**CHAIRMAN STEVE STROSHANE CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.**

**ROLL CALL:**

**Present:** Steve Stroshane, Ron Strom, E. R. Lindholm and Wally Neumann, Amy Middleton Mike Wallis and Bob Clark.

**Absent:**

**ALSO PRESENT:** Lorraine Rugroden - Clerk/Treasurer, Dan Burch, Dodd & Nancy Knutsen, Jerry Viebrock, Peter & Kathy Shay, Bob Wright and Marcia Dressel.

**There WAS a majority of Plan Commission members present.**

**AGENDA APPROVAL:**

**MOVED, SECONDED BY CARLSON/MIDDLETON TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR JUNE 15, 2009 MEETING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MINUTES ACCEPTANCE:**

**MOVED, SECONDED BY MIDDLETON/LINDHOLM TO ACCEPT THE MAY 18, 2009 PLAN COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES AS PRESENTED BY THE CLERK/TREASURER. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Comprehensive Plan**

**Review DRAFT Elements**

Amy Middleton said that she and Bob Wright went to a Working Lands Initiative workshop in March of this year, and now there is a Conservation Easement Celebration at the Paul & Sherrill Schottler farm on Wednesday, June 24, 2009 at 4:30 pm near Somerset. There will be farm tours, a Schottler easement dedication and information sessions on protecting working lands and open spaces in western Wisconsin. Both Amy and Bob encouraged the Plan Commission members to attend and listen with an open mind.

Elements the Plan Commission discussed included Issues and Opportunities, Housing, Transportation, Utilities & Community Facilities, Agricultural, Natural & Cultural Resources, Economic Development, Intergovernmental Cooperation, Land Use and Implementation. They went through the elements one last time before recommending to the Town Board to approve the Comprehensive Plan and distribute for public review. The Plan Commission also reviewed the Future Land Use map and made final adjustments.

Chairman Stroshane informed Plan Commission members in a memo, that he had received answers back to the questions that he had asked Tim Anderson, Polk County Planner in reference to the Town putting a blanket statement in the comprehensive plan, to outlaw new basalt mines in the Town. Tim sent a reply that he received from Brian Ohm, a professor of Planning at UW-Madison and principle author of the Comprehensive Planning Law. The Town's attorney Cathy Munkittrick has been contacted and is waiting to hear if the Town wants her to research the subject and give her opinion on whether she thought the Town has the authority create an ordinance to outlaw basalt mines. Plan Commission members agreed to ask the Town attorney to research the subject and give an opinion before the Town proceeds.

**Possible action: Recommend adoption to the Town Board and send out for public review**

The Comprehensive Plan will be sent out for review and a copy will be made available at the Town Hall and on the Town website.

**MOVED, SECONDED BY LINDHOLM/MIDDLETON TO RECOMMEND THAT THE TOWN BOARD ADOPT THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND DISTRIBUTE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

After the Comprehensive Plan is sent out for review, there is a 30 day waiting period where comments are gathered and brought back to the Plan Commission for review. Once the Plan Commission decides to go ahead with the public hearing, an ad will be published in the newspaper 30 days before the public hearing.

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:**

None

**COMMISSION MEMBERS REPORTS:**

None

**SUBSEQUENT MONTH'S AGENDA DISCUSSION:**

Monday August 24, 2009 regular monthly Plan Commission meeting

New Business:

Unfinished Business:

- Public Hearing

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOVED, SECONDED BY WALLIS/LINDHOLM TO ADJOURN THE JUNE 15, 2009 PLAN COMMISSION MEETING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Being no further business to come before the Plan Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

**APPROVED 8/17/09**

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Lorraine Rugroden, Clerk/Treasurer