

**TOWN OF OSCEOLA  
PLAN COMMISSION MEETING  
AUGUST 17, 2009  
MINUTES**  
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The Plan Commission of the Town of Osceola met for a regular monthly meeting Monday, August 17, 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 August 7, 2009.

**CHAIRMAN STEVE STROSHANE CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:06 P.M.**

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**Absent:** Amy Middleton

**ALSO PRESENT:** Lorraine Rugroden - Clerk/Treasurer, Ron Gamache, Susan & Dan Burch, Dodd & Nancy Knutsen, Peter & Kathy Shay and Bob Wright.

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

**AGENDA APPROVAL:**

**MOVED, SECONDED BY NEUMANN/STROM TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR AUGUST 17, 2009 MEETING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MINUTES ACCEPTANCE:**

**MOVED, SECONDED BY WALLIS/LINDHOLM TO ACCEPT THE JUNE 15, 2009 PLAN COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES AS PRESENTED BY THE CLERK/TREASURER. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Dan Burch commented that with a vote of 6-1 in opposition of the proposed quarry, he wanted the Plan Commission to be aware that Kraemer has gone forward to the County and filed another Special Exception Permit application. The Land Information committee will be touring the proposed Kramer site with the land owners during the Land Information meeting on August 19, 2009.<sup>1</sup> The tour is open to the public and Dan encouraged members of the Plan Commission to attend.

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<sup>1</sup> Sara McCurdy, Land Information Director said that the Land Information committee will determine at the meeting held on August 19, 2009 if they will be touring the site, and if so, they will set a future date and time.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

### **Comprehensive Plan**

#### **Review comments received during the Comprehensive Plan public review period**

The Plan Commission reviewed comments that were compiled during the comprehensive plan public review period. Comments were received from:

1. Department of Administration
2. Dennis Tomfohrde, Village of Osceola Plan Commission
3. Town's attorney regarding basalt mining in the Town
4. Hendrick comment

#### **Discussion of potential edits to the Draft Comprehensive Plan**

The Plan Commission discussed in length changes that would be made to the Comprehensive Plan based on the Town attorney's comments regarding basalt mining in the Town.

Wording in the land use portion of the matrix was reviewed and corrections were made.

Nolan Wall, Planner will look at state statutes regarding notifying mines before the Comprehensive Plan public hearing.

Nolan Wall stated that the siting of wind turbines in the Town is currently regulated by Polk County's Small Wind Energy Systems Ordinance.

## **MOVED, SECONDED BY WALLIS/LINDHOLM TO RECOMMEND THAT THE TOWN BOARD ADOPT THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BASED ON COMMENTS RECEIVED FROM PUBLIC REVIEW.**

### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:**

- Chairman Stroshane attended a Conservation Design and Low Impact Development workshop at the Town of Garfield on July 7, 2009 sponsored by Stevens Engineers.
- Kraemer Mining has submitted a Special Exception Permit application to the County that does not include the previous 21 acres.
- The application is not complete and Gary Spanel did not accept the application before going on vacation last week.
- Sara McCurdy, Land Information Director said that they will be looking for a recommendation from the Town, the Plan Commission and the Town Board.
- At the September 21, 2009 meeting the Plan Commission will recommend for or against the Special Exception Permit. The Town Board will act on the Plan Commission's recommendation at the October 5, 2009 meeting.
- The Town will request that the Land Information committee hold the Kraemer Special Exception Permit hearing in the evening in the Dresser/Osceola area.
- Chairman Stroshane will provide Land Information with studies that were done by the Town when Kraemer Mining first filed a Special Exception Permit application and a land owner requested his land be rezoned from commercial to agricultural.

### **COMMISSION MEMBERS REPORTS:**

None

**SUBSEQUENT MONTH'S AGENDA DISCUSSION:**

Monday September 21, 2009 regular monthly Plan Commission meeting

New Business:

- Recommendation for or against Kraemer Mining's Special Exception Permit

Unfinished Business:

Thursday September 24, 2009 Comprehensive Plan Public Hearing

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOVED, SECONDED BY LINDHOLM/STROM TO ADJOURN THE AUGUST 17, 2009 PLAN COMMISSION MEETING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Being no further business to come before the Plan Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 9:42 p.m.

**APPROVED 9/21/09**

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Lorraine Rugroden, Clerk/Treasurer