

Town of Saratoga Plan Commission

April 9, 2014

Plan Commission Members

Dan Forbes, Chair Excused	Dave Barth
Gordon Wipperfurth, Co-chair	Sarajane Snyder;
Tom Grygo, Secretary, Excused Illness	Lorelei Fuehrer Alternate

Public Present

Chris Fish, Graphic House representing Good Shepherd Church STH 13
Mike & Kellie Osborne

Gordy Wipperfurth opened the meeting of the Town of Saratoga Plan Commission at 6:30 P.M. on April 9, 2014 in the Saratoga Town Hall. The meeting was officially noticed.

The following item was not on the agenda and no action was taken.

Chris Fish, Graphic House, Inc, Wausau, WI representing Good Shepherd Church, STH 13 said the church wants to replace an existing sign. The existing sign is in a residential district and the proposed sign is 93 sq. ft. (10'-6" x 6'6" x 16' high) which exceeds sign standards for a residential district. Some guidance was given, by the Plan Commission, regarding vision area, set-back from Hwy 13, and the need to coordinate with WI DOT. (*Note: Good Shepherd Church has an off-premise sign, owned by Quality Feed and Seed, on Hwy 13 S south of Kester Rd*). Since Grygo and Forbes are absent the Plan Commission decided to hold a special meeting on Wednesday April 23 at 6:30 PM. The April 23 agenda will include discussion and approval of the proposed sign by Good Shepherd Church. The special meeting cost is being waived as it is the decision of the Plan Commission to hold the meeting and not at the request of Good Shepherd Church.

Mike and Kellie Osborne have an existing mobile home on the same parcel (1800158BC) which contains their permanent residence, and two or more businesses. The Town Zoning Ordinance precludes more than one residence per parcel. The parcel in question is zoned commercial which also permits one residence. Mr. Osborne will contact a surveyor to create and register a new parcel, for the proposed residence, with Wood County Register of Deeds. The Town will not require any zoning change. Fuehrer informed the Osborne's of the requirements for sanitary, electrical and other permits needed to construct a permanent residence. The Plan Commission felt there was no conditional use permit needed since there is an existing residence and commercially zoned property allows one residence.

Memo from the attorney regarding time limits for existing signs was not available for consideration or discussion by the Plan Commission.

Wipperfurth expressed concerns about the need for road postings to be removed in a timely manner. Because of the harsh winter many construction projects have been delayed and there is a definite need to get on the roads.

There was a discussion on a frac sand mining ordinance. The Plan Commission would like direction from the Town Board on whether to proceed with a frac sand ordinance and requests this item be on the Town Board agenda soon.

Next meeting is scheduled for April 23 at 6:30 PM in the Town of Saratoga Town Hall.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Minutes submitted by Tom Grygo from notes taken by Dave Barth.