

Town of Saratoga Plan Commission

May 12, 2016

Plan Commission Members	
Dan Forbes, Chair,	Dave Barth
Gordon Wipperfurth, Co-chair,	Sarajane Snyder
Tom Grygo, Secretary	Lorelei Fuehrer Alternate, Absent
Public Present	
None	

Dan Forbes opened the meeting of the Town of Saratoga Plan Commission at 6:30 PM on May 12, 2016 at the Saratoga Town Hall. The meeting was officially noticed.

Motion by Barth to accept the minutes of the April 13 meeting with amendment of the next meeting date, second by Snyder, motion approved.

There was a discussion regarding drafting a buffer ordinance for the Town. Buffers are defined and requirements specified in the Zoning Ordinance section regarding Nonmetallic Mining (NMM). However, it was agreed the NMM buffer requirements might not be suitable for situations outside NMM. Wipperfurth suggested regarding buffers as more of a windbreak or erosion control rather than just screening one activity from another. NR 151.2 and ATCP 50.04 address erosion control and provide some quantitative measurements for determining amounts of erosion. Forbes suggested Heidi check with Paul Kent regarding the legal aspect of a “buffer” ordinance and possible references to such an ordinance.

There was a discussion regarding changes in the building code regarding section 3.01. It was agreed to table this discussion until the next meeting.

Forbes said the Town Board upheld the Plan Commission recommendation denying Lamar an exception to the Sign Ordinance for moving an oversize sign within the Town.

Grygo asked if the Town could remove small off-premise signs, and general advertising signs from the right-of way. Forbes said the Town only has authority on Town roads, and cannot remove any signs within County or State right-of-way. Grygo also said Terry Wolfe Realty has multiple signs on a property near the intersection of Hwy 13 and 73 and requested the Town inform Wolfe Realty of the sign ordinance, which allows only one real estate sign per parcel.

Grygo also said he received a phone call from Corey Moser regarding a neighbor wanting to raise approximately six cattle on an adjacent property. The property in question is located in the RS-1 Suburban Residential District. Moser said she would speak to the Town Board at the May 18 meeting.

Wipperfurth said the Central Wisconsin Builders Association is holding a garage sale at Adlee Construction on May 21.

The next Plan Commission meeting is June 8, 2016 at 6:30.

Motion by Barth to adjourn second by Wipperfurth, meeting adjourned 8:42 PM