



WOOD COUNTY, WISCONSIN

Plan Commission Meeting Minutes 4-12-23

Attendees: Chair Sarajane Snyder, Gordy Wipperfurth, Josh McDonald, Rob Borski, Brian Hamm
Nancy Koch

Snyder called the meeting to order at 5:12 p.m. A quorum was declared present.

Public Comments:

- One resident, on behalf of herself and her neighbors, expressed concern over the proposed land purchase on 64th Street by Secluded Land Company LLC. The resident is fearful that without a Land Division Ordinance, Saratoga runs a great risk of losing its rural living character to outside land investors.

Motion by McDonald to approve the March 22nd meeting minutes. 2nd by Borski. All approved.

- Dennis Lawrence discussed Chapter 6 (Economic Development) Draft and fielded comments and questions. Lawrence and the PC did the same with Chapter 7 (Land Use) Draft, with Lawrence stressing that the zoning ordinances will be the deciding factor in what a Future Land Use Map will look like. He also was adamant that Saratoga needs a Land Division Ordinance. He committed to having revised drafts to the Plan Commission before our next meeting.
- Town Administrator Bossert went through the latest draft of the Saratoga Zoning Ordinance. Plan Commission members came to consensus on draft changes pertaining to minimal lot sizes in SR-1, and for duplexes in SR-1 and RR-1. Also discussed were design standards for storage rentals, and moving them from Permitted Use to Conditional Use. Bossert committed to getting an updated Zoning Ordinance draft to Plan Commission members before our next meeting, as well as a sample PowerPoint presentation that would be shown in a Public Hearing to help explain the proposed updated Zoning Ordinance.
- Borski suggested that the Town should strongly consider the use of an outside resource with the required credentials to assist us establishing a sound Land Division Ordinance for properties in the Rural Preservation areas of Saratoga.
- Bossert informed the PC that mobile homes will have a separate ordinance.
- Chair Snyder to communicate with Dennis Lawrence and his availability for the 4/26 meeting.
- PC members offered possible agenda items for the 4/26 meeting including Zoning Ordinance update, mobile homes, land division, Dennis Lawrence update on Comprehensive Plan chapters.

The next meeting was set for 4/26/23. **Motion to adjourn by McDonald. 2nd by Wipperfurth. Motion passed unanimously and meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.**