

**PLAN COMMISSION
TOWN OF GRANT
DECEMBER 18, 2013**

Present: Jim Wendels, Marty Rutz, Darcy Held, Lori Ruess, Sharon Schwab, Ron Becker, Julie Kramer, and Cynthia Welling.

Excused Absent:

Meeting called to order at 6:31 pm by Jim Wendels.

MINUTES

The November minutes were reviewed and approved. Motion made by Darcy Held, seconded by Lori Ruess. Motion passed unanimously.

ZONING UPDATE

- No formal requests had been received since the last meeting.

CITIZEN INPUT

- The well water test for the Rickman property was received. The actual water testing was done at 8210 WW (Finnessey). Results showed bacteria was absent and the nitrate level was 10.1 mg per liter which constitutes a level that should not be consumed by infants. No results have been received yet on the lot split request.
- There was some discussion on whether Certified Survey Maps were held on premise at the Town Hall as well as electronically by Marty Rutz. The committee stated that the CSMs should be saved in both places. Marty will touch base with Vicky Zimmerman and coordinate the process of saving them in both places.
- No one attended the Portage County Drainage Commission annual meeting.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE

- One UAP permit was issued to WE Energies for \$20.
- Eric Norton, Army Corp, has not responded regarding the Peterson's pond.
- The Driveway Ordinance was sent to Paramount Farms.
- There are no conditional use permits pending.
- There was some discussion around equipment being parked outside at 8911 South Park Road. No complaints have been received as of yet.

TOWN BOARD REPORT

- Ron has been attending Representative Krug's public meetings regarding high capacity wells. Feedback was given at the meeting regarding a meeting with legislative reps regarding Senate Bill 302. A companion bill is being proposed to modify some of the extreme elements of SB 302. The next meeting is sometime in January. There was discussion about whether local municipalities should receive copies of all applications; right now there is no notice received when an application is placed for a high capacity well. The committee discussed the possibility of notifying anyone located in general ag areas if zoning changes are made. Notification could be driven by the size of the parcels. Well drillers could also be notified though they couldn't be held responsible.
- The Town of Grant had opposed Senate Bill 369; a letter had been received expressing thanks for our input.

REVIEW ZONING ORDINANCE

- The changes made at the previous meeting were reviewed and the review of the document continued. See updated Zoning Ordinance

- All changes have been saved under cac 12.2013. The committee discussed the advantage of distributing a redline version so the citizens would have easy reference to all changes made once the review was complete.

FUTURE PLAN COMMISSION MEETING DATES

- January 15th
- February 19th
- March 19th
- April 23rd

Meeting adjourned at 9:03p. Darcy motioned, Ron seconded. All in favor.

Next meeting Wednesday, January 15, 2014, at 6:30 pm

Minutes prepared by Cynthia Welling
Plan Commission Secretary

ACTION ITEMS

Check into creating a logo for the Town of Grant.

Review Quarrying Ordinance to be sure we are in compliance with NR 135.32. (Print out all of NR 135 and review with our Quarrying Ordinance within the next 6 months.)

Update Quarrying Permit Process with NR updates.

Farmland Preservation: Contact Jeff Schuler to meet with us.

NR 135: Review w/Quarrying Ordinance

Review Zoning definitions

August 8-10, 2014 – create logo prior to celebration