

**PLAN COMMISSION
TOWN OF GRANT
NOVEMBER 30, 2011**

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

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm.

October minutes reviewed. Motion made by Sharon, seconded by Lori to approve pending typo corrections.

CITIZEN INPUT

- Jim shared the covenant for the subdivision off of Lake Road where the egg farmers live. The Board of Adjustments met on November 29 and denied the request of raising chickens and selling eggs. They have 30 days to cease and desist operation.
- Sharon shared newspaper articles on frac sand.
- Have Vicky add the Plan Commission to the C.C. e-mail list for Board of Adjustment meetings.

ZONING UPDATE

Sharon shared the zoning update and reported 6 permits totaling \$285.

BURIAL PLOTS ON PRIVATE LAND

An undisclosed couple inquired about being buried on their own land. They have 55 acres. The Plan Commission will need to research this further.

- 1) WTA s.s. 157.5, s.s. 157.07 (platting), s.s 157.065 Location and Ownership of Cemeteries, WTA Section VI Statement of Policy
- 2) Sharon will ask WTA about private cemeteries. The Town of Grant is not interested in having or maintaining a cemetery. What is the process for a private citizen? Is there such a thing as a Burial Permit?
- 3) See our zoning ordinance under Commercial/Conditional Uses/#6/Low Density Residential.

UAP

- See mark-ups on policy and reference Sharon's e-mail.
- 3.5: Utilities shall consider installation of bird flight diverters in open areas where no trees are present on both sides of the roadway. (Last paragraph)
- Renumber all the 3s to 2s.
- Jim will provide an overview of the UAP at the January Board meeting on the 11th.
- Julie will finalize changes and send to Vicky to make Draft copies for the December Board meeting.

CUP'S/ZONING REVISIONS/ZONING DISTRICTS

- Sharon shared the 2010 aerial maps showing irrigation systems. She will see if we can get the same maps with districts showing.
- Ordinance revision: Exclusive Ag, page 4, add Center Pivot Commercial Irrigation Cropland (ahead of Cranberry Production #5).
- Require baseline of well testing within certain areas. Exclusive: Permitted, Transitional: Conditional, General: Conditional

- Zoning Ordinance: A-3: General Ag: Conditional Uses: Any conditional uses allowed in the Agricultural Transition District with potentially more stringent conditions due to residential developments. A-2: Agricultural Transition District: Permitted Uses: #3: General Farming, except in center pivot commercial irrigated cropland. Conditional Uses: New #8: Center pivot commercial irrigated cropland.
- Review definitions for clarity and tweak zoning ordinance.
- Quality/Quantity/ Responsible Party/Baseline Testing (testing every 15 months)

LOOKING AHEAD

Nuisance/Junk Ordinance, Driveway Ordinance

Meeting adjourned at 10:10. Motion made by Ron, seconded by Lori.

Next meeting Wednesday, December 21, 7:00.

Julie Kramer

Plan Commission Secretary

ACTION ITEMS

Check into creating a logo for the Town of Grant.

Jim will forward Town of Hull Nuisance Ordinance to Plan Commission members.

Jim will contact Steve Bradley about pulling land out of exclusive ag.

Lori will share MOU

A Notice of Public Hearing will need to be sent to Jerry for Kevin's (Amy Timm) Board of Adjustment meeting