

MINUTES of the  
Town of Cross Plains Plan Commission Meeting

8:00 P.M.

January 4, 2016

PRESENT

Plan Commission: Wayne Parrell (Chair), Greg Hyer, Sherry Krantz, Mike Coyle

Staff: Mary Scott (PC Secretary/ Deputy Clerk)

5 interested citizens

2 Board members: Greg Haack, Vera Riley

**Call to Order:** Parrell called the meeting to order at 8:07 pm.

**Approve Minutes:** Coyle moved to approve the December 7<sup>th</sup> minutes as amended and Sherry Krantz seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

**Public Comments:** none

**Discussion:** Dick Albaugh did not appear to discuss his plans for building on his property located on Hidden Valley Rd. This agenda item was tabled.

**Discussion:** The Plan Commission discussed the amendments to the Blasting Ordinance 113.1. The proposed changes allow deadlines to be described as, "prompt" for contacting or responding to the Town, or completing permits. The Town Board will allow the Town Clerk to approve of fireworks permits for more expedient approval. The applications for topics under this Ordinance will be available on the Town's website, as well as the Town Hall for convenience. Coyle made a motion to send the suggested changes and the request for the Board to clarify the questions the Commission identified. Sherry Krantz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Discussion:** The Plan Commission discussed the amendments to the Non-Metallic Mining Ordinance 500.4. The Town retains its right to modify the State standards for the best interests of the Town. This Ordinance applies to sites over one acre and exempts existing mines unless those locations are expanding from the original landscape. The Ordinance addresses hours of operation, distance from residences and businesses. The Coyle suggested increasing the distance from a residence or business and clarify fees and enforcing renewal fees. This Ordinance will apply to fracing. Applications will be available on the Town's website, as well as at the Town Hall. Coyle made a motion to send the suggested changes and the request for the Board to clarify the questions identified by the Commission. Sherry Krantz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Public Comment for Discussion:**

Amelia Williams is requesting information about the Towns' Association's push to lobby for the autonomy of the Towns in Dane County from the County's zoning jurisdiction. Hyer explained that this is an attempt to reduce the impact of the County's decisions for the Towns. However, Hyer is concerned that this is a controversial, unilateral decision made by the Towns' Association since the Towns' Association did not contact the Towns of the County for a vote or for feedback before they voted to hire a lobbyist to fight for this autonomy. Hyer does not feel that this is a majority opinion amongst the Towns and disagrees that there is a necessity for this for a vast majority of the issues concerning the Towns.

Garfoot wanted to know if a duplex is allowed in the Town per the Comprehensive Land Use Plan. Hyer clarified that the Plan allows for a duplex if the land has two splits.

There being no further public comment, Sherry Krantz motioned to adjourn and Coyle seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

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Action Items

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Wayne Parrell (Acting Chair) and Secretary: Deadline for the February agenda is January 21, 2016.

*Submitted on February 1, 2016 by Mary Scott, TCP-PC Secretary/Deputy Clerk*