

FINAL Minutes of the
Town of Cross Plains Plan Commission Meeting
March 4, 2013

PRESENT

Plan Commission:

Wayne Parrell (Acting Chair); Mike Coyle, Sherry Krantz, Greg Hyer, Tom Rhude

Board members: Greg Hyer (Chair), Greg Haack, Vera Riley, and Tom Anderson

Staff: Mary Scott (PC Secretary)

4 interested citizens

Call to Order: 8:00 PM, Parrell called the meeting to order and asked if there were corrections to the February minutes. Hyer moved that the minutes be accepted as written. This was seconded by Krantz. The motion was passed unanimously.

Public Comment: None

TDR Discussion: The County Zoning and Land Regulation (ZLR) Commission meeting was held on Tuesday, February 26th. The Transfer of Development Rights Amendment to the Town of Cross Plains Comprehensive Plan passed unanimously. Per Hyer, the Board will adopt the agenda at the meeting scheduled for Thursday, March 7th (weather permitting).

Discussion/Action on proposed Village Map: Matt Schuenke, Village Administrator and Treasurer from the Village of Cross Plains presented two mapping options for comment regarding the proposed bypass. In summary, the Village argues this bypass utilizing Town land for two reasons:

- (1.) The bypass will be necessary to handle increased traffic flow for the Village;
- (2.) The Village wants to protect access to present and future businesses located on Hwy 14 through the Village.

Schuenke recognized this plan would not be implemented for at least a couple decades or more. Hyer stated that presentation of mapping options is premature at this point. Hyer stated that although extra territorial rights may be the rights of the Village, these rights should be limited. Hyer suggested that a cooperative effort via intergovernmental planning is more beneficial especially provided such an extended plan. Public comment conveyed equal concern for the mapping options presented, as the bypass would negatively impact land and home values, and conservation efforts. Rhude made the motion: "The Town of Cross Plains Plan Commission does not support the creation of an official Village of Cross Plains map that contains a bypass through the Town of Cross Plains." Krantz seconded the motion. It passed unanimously. Schuenke will convey the Town's concerns to the Village Committee of the Whole at the meeting on March 11th.

Discussion/Action: The Plan Commission may want to adopt an ordinance similar to Dane County's OA#42 (Ordinance Amendment) regarding wind energy systems. The Commission recognizes that this ordinance by law cannot be more restrictive than the County's ordinance. Public comment showed concern for the environmental impact of such systems for the Town.

Discussion: Rhude explained that the ETC has a new 345kV line named the Cardinal Bluff Line. This line is planned to extend from Middleton to Dubuque, IA in 2018-2019. This line could be routed through either Spring Green or Pine Bluff.

There being no more public comment, Rhude moved to adjourn; Hyer seconded. It passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 PM.

Action Items

Wayne Parrell (Acting Chair) and Secretary: Deadline for the April agenda is March 22, 2013

Submitted on April 6, 2013 by Mary Scott, TCP-PC Secretary