

MINUTES of the  
Town of Cross Plains Plan Commission Meeting

7:00 P.M.

April 7, 2014

PRESENT

Plan Commission:

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

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

Staff: Mary Scott (PC Secretary/ Deputy Clerk)

4 interested citizens

**Call to Order:** Parrell called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

**Approve Minutes:** Rhude moved to approve the March minutes as amended and Sherry Krantz seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

**Public Comment:** None

**Action/Discussion:** Topics 4 and 5 are combined. The Ordinance 108 has been renumbered to Ordinance 113.1. The Towns Association is recommending Towns to develop a Blasting Ordinance before the State adopts laws preempting local control on mining and blasting. The Town of Cross Plains has such an Ordinance that was drafted which mimics other Blasting Ordinances as a standard model for such an ordinance. The Town will review certain topics within the current Ordinance for substance. There are four topics for review.

1. Reduce the blasting permit fee for residential blasts from \$500.
2. Indicate that residential blasts may be approved by the Town Building Inspector.
3. Indicate that mining blasts will be approved by the Town Building Inspector and/or the Town Board.
4. Indicate an exemption in section 5 sub B regarding personal use fill and disregard the cubic yard limitation for small quantity generators.

The Plan Commission is recommending the Board adopt Blasting Ordinance 113.1, so long as the top four items are modified in the current Ordinance. Hyer moved to approve the recommendation and Coyle seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

**Discussion/Action:** The Driveway Ordinance limits the number of residences allowed from a private, shared driveway to three. However, five residences are defined by the County as a subdivision. The

maximum number of driveways from a private, shared driveway should be modified to include four driveways. Rhude moved to adjust the driveway maximum and Sherry Krantz seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Discussion/Action:** The Town currently has no Ordinance that can be found regarding weight limits on Town roads. The following must be addressed in this ordinance: (1.) Roads that are currently permanently posted are verified correct; (2.) Roads that will vary limits with seasonal postings will need removable signs; and (3.) Roads in need of limits will be determined and posted. The standard weight limit for the County is 80,000 pounds. The Town can match that or opt for a lower weight limit. The Plan Commission recognizes a need for an exception for milk haulers, such as in Town of Berry. One road of immediate concern is Stagecoach Rd. The impact of the use by Wingra and Capitol Sand and Gravel is contributing to the demise of this road. Total replacement will be necessary in the near future. Hyer indicated one option to create Class B Town roads which are at 60 percent of the Class A limits. A rerouting of these company trucks may present a new set of safety concerns on Highway 14 detailed by Parrell. Therefore, any Highway 14 improvements must take into consideration acceleration of these trucks, incline of the roads, and the addition of passing lanes, etc. Coyle clarified that weight limits are per axle, not the total weight of the semi. Therefore, the Town may want to word the Ordinance with a standard, per axel weight limit keeping in mind some trucks have as many as four axels. Additionally, Coyle noted that the more axels a truck has, the lower the impact it has on the road. Rhude moved that the Plan Commission support the Town Board creating a Weight Limit Ordinance for Town roads. This was seconded by Sherry Krantz. The motion passed unanimously.

**Discussion/Action:** Parrell moved to return the Plan Commission meetings to 8 pm starting in May. This was seconded by Hyer. The motion passed unanimously.

**Public Comment:** Jim Garfoot informant the Commission that he has informally agreed to providing an easement from Jim Garfoot Circle to a house site on Moen Road.

There being no further public comment, Rhude moved to adjourn and Coyle seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

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Action Items

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Wayne Parrell (Acting Chair): Deadline for the May agenda is April 25, 2014

*Submitted on April 14, 2014 by Mary Scott, TCP-PC Secretary/Deputy Clerk*