

Planning & Zoning Committee

Planning Meeting

January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2013

7:30 A.M.

PRESENT: Supervisors, Brennand, Egan, Thompson, Albrecht (alternate for supervisor Sievert), Kreisler. Jerry Bougie – Planning Director, Brian O’Rourke – Associate Planner.

1. Minute Approval – December 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012, and January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2013

Motion by L. Kreisler to approve minutes as presented. Seconded by D. Albrecht. Motion carried 4-0-01 (C. Thompson arrived after vote).

2. Status report on Farmland Preservation Program and related State zoning certification.

J. Bougie provided a copy of a letter from Keith Foye of the Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection stating that they have granted the County’s request for a one year extension to receive certification of the zoning ordinance. He also informed the Committee that the Town of Nepeuskun did receive certification from the State regarding the Town’s Farmland Preservation Ordinance and map.

B. O’Rourke stated that staff had been getting inquiries from various Town officials asking about the process of getting out of or into the Farmland Preservation program, and that the Committee should establish a policy of how often the County would accept and/or conduct a public hearing with regard to those requests. Staff will present a potential policy at the Committee’s February Planning meeting.

There was no further discussion of this item.

3. Status report on county zoning ordinance (Chapter 23) implementation.

J. Bougie reminded the Committee that Winnebago County’s Chapter 17 would be expiring at the end of April, and as of today’s date only the Town of Nekimi have adopted County zoning. The County has received a copy of the Town of

Menasha's proposed Town zoning ordinance that staff would review and report on at their next Planning meeting.

L. Kreisler stated that the Town of Winchester has finished their proposed zoning ordinance and would have forwarded to staff by the end of the day.

P. Brennan requested that J. Bougie mail a final reminder to those Towns currently under County zoning of the fact that if they do not adopt either a Town zoning ordinance or Winnebago County's Chapter 23 that their Town could potentially have no zoning regulations in effect for non-shoreland areas.

There was no further discussion of this item.

4. Report on permit activity.

J. Bougie provided a handout to the Committee showing a permit/CSM/public hearing item(s) comparison in terms of total numbers issued/conducted for the years 2010, 2011, and 2012.

The Committee inquired as to what may have caused any increase or decrease in the overall total numbers between the three years shown.

J. Bougie stated that any increases or decreases are most likely caused by the current economy.

There was no further discussion of this item.

Motion to adjourn L. Kreisler. Seconded by T. Egan. Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 A.M.

Brian O'Rourke – Recording Secretary