

Minutes of the Plan Commission – Town of Spring Green

May 10, 2011 – Spring Green Town Hall, E4411 Kennedy Road, Spring Green, WI 53588

1. **Swearing in of officers.** The Town Clerk swore in Radel and Bindl. Frank not present.
2. **Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm by Iausly.**
3. **Roll Call- Iausly, Radel, Robson and Bindl present; Frank excused.**
4. **Iausly attested that proper public notice had been made.**
5. Radel stated there is a correction under the Updates & Communications; that Andy Ringelstetter does want large open bodies of water, to strike the not. **Motion approving minutes as corrected for the May meeting / Radel / Robson. Motion passed.**
6. **Motion approving agenda as posted / Robson / Radel. Motion passed.**
7. **Updates & Communications:**
 - a. Radel reported that he spoke with Brian Frank and he is not in favor limiting the 1,320 foot setback to the 10 acres sites but needs to be in place for the 3 acres too.
 - b. Radel reported that he meet with the Village of Spring Green Board Chair – Gene Hausner about mineral extraction and Gene expressed some concerns about creating ponds in the ET and will be looking at the village ordinance.
 - c. Radel reported that he has been in contact with the Wisconsin Towns Association (WTA) attorney about staying above the groundwater table. WTA attorney stated that a depth can't just be set without good reasons and backed by an engineers opinion.
 - d. Radel reported the he met with Greg Jewell with Jewell Associates and discussed Greg providing a Pro/Cons paper on excavating into groundwater.
 - e. Iausly updated the Commissioners and residents that Michelle Thomas appointment was not renewed to Plan Commission. Iausly stated that she was a true asset to the commission and will be missed. He formerly thanked Michelle for her service and hoped that she would participate in Plan Commission meetings in the future.
 - f. Iausly introduced the new member to the Plan Commission Mike Bindl. Bindl introduced himself to the residents in attendance. He is currently the Zoning Code Officer with Iowa County and has also worked in the Zoning departments for the City of Fitchburg and Dane County.
8. **Business Items:**
 - a. **CSM/Plat:** David Mack presented a CSM for his property at S12295 Porter Road to realign to property lines between his and his neighbor's property. Brian Simmert with Sauk County Conservation, Planning & Zoning was in attendance and provided input on the proposed CSM. After a lengthy review of the CSM, a number of errors were identified on the document and it was suggested that Mr. Mack work with his surveyor on the corrections and resubmit next month. **No Action Taken.**
 - b. **Comprehensive Plan:** Brian Simmert from Sauk County Conservation, Planning & Zoning was present to help answer questions regarding mineral extraction. Discussion continued on buffer distance and Iausly proposed modifying the 1,320 foot buffer to be specific to any residential structure, with agreement from the commissioners. It was also discussed and agreed to include language to allow adjacent landowners to waive the 1,320 foot buffer restriction. Radel proposed, for discussion, that the 1,320 foot buffer for projects greater than 10 acres be reduced and be applied to any mineral extraction activity. There was discussion on what the size of a mineral extraction site should be to trigger hydro-geologic study but decision was decided upon. For the next meeting Radel stated that he will work to provide an engineers pros/cons report on excavating into the groundwater.

9. Public Comment: Kolby Hirth stated that as sworn officers of the town she would like to see Plan Commission members attend some of the Town Board meeting. Dennis Polivka stated that he would encourage Plan Commission members to attend board meetings but understands not everyone can attend. He further stated that he selects commission members with different professional backgrounds, that interact with the public and represent the town.

10. Next Meeting Date: June 14, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

11. Adjournment:

- **Motion to adjourn / Radel / Robson. Motion carried.**

(Fred Iausly, Chairperson)