

Minutes Plan Commission Meeting

Meeting Date: **Thursday February 27, 2020**

Time: **7:00 pm**

Meeting Location: Poynette Municipal Building-Board Room, 106 S. Main St.

Town of Dekorra

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608-635-2014

1. Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance
The February 27, 2020 Plan Commission meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Sandy Smith.
2. Roll Call
Present: Tyler Bergstrom, Greg Falk, Roger Palmer, Sandy Smith, Scott Van Etten, Justin Brusveen, alt. Absent: Dave Lorenz, Peter Caldwell.
3. Approval of Agenda/Affidavit of posting.
ACTION: Motion (Smith/Bergstrom) to approve the agenda and affidavit of posting. Motion carried.
4. Approval of previous minutes.
ACTION: Motion (Van Etten/Palmer) to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2020 Plan Commission meeting. Motion carried.
5. Bakken, Nancye – Parcel -11010-96 and 96.B – W8924 Bilkie Rd, Town of Dekorra, Columbia County. “Simple” Certified Survey Map (CSM).
Jim Grothman, Grothman and Associates, was present to give an overview of the proposed CSM. Discussion points included definition of “simple” CSM, whether it was a “simple” CSM (Grothman noted that it was a lot line adjustment with no rezoning and had been consider as such in the past), possible easement for gravel driveway
ACTION: Motion (Van Etten/Palmer) to approve CSM (G&A File # 1019-616) for Nancye Bakken. Motion carried.
6. Senkowski, Judy A. and Guy D. – Parcel 11010-327.03 - N3757 McMillan Rd, Town of Dekorra, Columbia County- Conditional Use Permit for sawmill operation plus site plan approval under Section 11.04 of Town code.
 - a. PUBLIC HEARING
 - i. Open Public Hearing - **Public hearing was opened at 7:10 pm by Chair Sandy Smith.**
 - ii. Presentation of the Requested Conditional Use Permit
Attorney Jeff Clark was present to represent Senkowski and gave an overview of the proposed CUP application including previous CSM and zoning approval. He noted that a nursery is already a permitted agricultural use.
 - iii. Public’s Opportunity to Testify
Don Kohrt -W9017 Bilkie Rd, Town of Dekorra was present to see what was being proposed. Has no objection.
Linda Steingruber – N4155 US Hwy 51, Town of Dekorra voiced concerns regarding large truck traffic, environmental impact, DNR regulations and feels that it will be a larger operation than what they elude to.

iv. Close Public Hearing

ACTION: Motion (Bergstrom/Palmer) to close the public hearing and resume the Plan Commission meeting. Motion carried.

Public hearing closed and Plan Commission meeting resumed at 7:29 pm.

Andrew Beyer, General Engineering, was present to review the recommended conditions as he and Mark Roffers, Town Planner, proposed.

Attorney Jeff Clark was reviewed the application on behalf of Guy and Judy Senkowski. Points of discussion included the difference between a nursery operation and a firewood sawmill, that the previous LLC had been dissolved, how and where wood processing would take place, a discussion that there would be 4 semi-trailer loads of wood throughout the year and processed wood is taken out on smaller pickup trucks. Clark noted that originally, they thought that this was an allowed agriculture use. The site map was discussed, concerns of size of business and possible limitations; Clark said the growth would be limited by the number of allowed employees. Hours of operation, that fact that wood delivery times could not be regulated as they are dependent on when a semitruck shows up and screening options were discussed.

ACTION: Motion (Van Etten/Palmer) to recommend to the Dekorra Town Board for the approval of a Conditional Use Permit and Site Plan on parcel 11010-327.03, subject to conditions identified in Town Planner report and that the Town Board consider upper limitation of incoming trucks and recommend wood processing limit to 8-5pm Monday through Friday. Motion carried.

7. Set TDR workshop date

Smith stated that there needs to be a joint workshop with the Town Board. Van Etten said that we should be working to adopt the County language. Joint workshop recommended for March 19th at 7:00 pm.

8. Set next meeting date: March 26, 2020

9. Adjournment

**ACTION: Motion (Smith/Brusveen) to adjourn. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.**

Respectfully submitted by: Holly J. Priske, Clerk-Town of Dekorra

Approved: May 28, 2020