

Town of Lake Mills Plan Commission Minutes
September 6, 2016
Town Hall at 8:00 PM

- 1. Call the meeting to order:** Schultz called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM.

Notice posted at the Town Hall, North End Boat Launch and the Cul-de-sac on the Finch Bros. Rd, and posted on the Town of Lake Mills Website, www.townoflakemills.org on August 26, 2016.

- 2. Roll Call:** Members present: Nass, Peterson, Schultz and Zekoff. Excused: Battist.

- 3. Adoption of Agenda:** Moved by Nass, second by Peterson, that we adopt tonight's published meeting agenda. Carried 4 – 0.

- 4. Approval of minutes from the August 2 meeting:** Moved by Nass, second by Peterson, that we approve the Minutes of the August 2 Plan Commission meeting. Carried 4 - 0.

5. Reports

- a) Plan Commission Chairman's report:** No Report

b) Town Board Report: Peterson reported that the requested replat of Shorewood Hills Phase III was tabled at the last Town Board meeting until the engineering plan and surface water runoff plan receive approval. The Town Board discussed the proposed abandonment of Raether Road.

c) County Report: Nass stated that the County was still awaiting communication from the Town Board concerning proposed changes in pig and bee keeping requirements.

- d) ETZ Committee Report:** No Report

- e) Public Works Board Report:** No Report

- 6. Period for Public Comment and Questions (non agenda items, information only):** None

7. Review of Applications Filed:

a) Discussion and decision on conditional use request of Brian Benisch, N5948 County Road S, to allow a dog boarding kennel. Brian and Teresa were present to present their proposal. A dozen neighbors to the property attended to express their concerns about the request. The issues stated were 1) the increased barking noise associated with a dog boarding operation; 2) the potential impact on neighboring property values; 3) increased traffic on County Road S; and, 4) available parking for customers. Comments about the noise concerns had been communicated to the town clerk prior to the meeting and shared with commissioners. Mr. Benisch distributed literature on the noise abatement technology he intended to install to minimize the barking noise.

Motion by Nass, seconded by Zekoff, that the Plan Commission recommend conditional use as presented in the permit application, up to 25 dogs maximum, with a defined parking plan required. The motion failed, 1 Yes and 3 No.

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8. Old Business: None

9. New Business:

10. Correspondence: Copies of two letters from the Jefferson County Zoning and Sanitation Department were shared with commissioners for information only.

a) August 12 letter to Notbohm/Charles Notbohm Trust concerning the Revocation of Conditional Use Permit CU1756-13 allowing the mineral extraction on Trust property.

b) August 12 letter to Jason Forest, Kason Limited Liability Co, concerning the requested replat of Shorewood Hills Phase III.

11. Meetings Scheduled

September 13, 2016 Town Board meeting, 8:00 PM Town Hall

October 4, 2016 Joint Rock Lake Committee meeting, 6:00 PM City Hall

October 4, 2016 Plan Commission meeting, 8:00 PM Town Hall

13. Adjournment: Moved by Nass, seconded by Schultz, that we adjourn at 9:10 PM. Carried.

Steven E. Zekoff

Secretary

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