

Price County Land Use / UW-Extension Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: May 25, 2023

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Courthouse County Board Room 101; 126 Cherry St; Phillips, WI 54555

Call to order and Roll Call: Meeting called to order by Dennis Wartgow, Committee Chairperson at 9:00 a.m. Present: Alan Barkstrom, Doug Erickson, Ginny Strobl, Dennis Wartgow, Larry Meives (Land Conservation). Excused: Rick Morgan (UW-Extension). Also present: Nick Trimner, Evan Lund, Art Lersch, Paula Houdek.

Items for discussion and possible action:

1. Election of committee Vice-chairperson: nominated. Motion Barkstrom nominated Doug Erickson for Vice-chairperson. Motion Strobl/Barkstrom to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Doug Erickson for Vice-chairperson. Motion carried.

Zoning – Evan Lund

2. Call to order and roll call: This portion of the meeting called to order at 9:02 a.m. Roll call as noted above. Also present: Amanda McMeekin.
3. Public Comment and Communications: None.
4. Public hearing declared open at 9:03 a.m. for the Special Exception Permit filed by David and Denise Botz for the purpose of allowing a newly constructed porch to be 2.88 feet from the southeast property line and the porch roof eave and gutter 0.72 feet from the southeast property line on property located in the Town of Elk (N8360 Trinity Road). Amanda reviewed list of notices sent. Written correspondence received in opposition by the Gehrke Family, Tim Gehrke, Barbara and Ralph Swanson, Tracie Burkart, Cully Erickson, Arthur Burkhart, Daniel Gallistel, Bret Helmbrecht, Merceda Gehrke. In favor from Alan Czeshinski. Speaking in opposition: Jeannie Heizler, Town of Elk; Kim Gehrke, Town of Elk; Jeff Willers, Town of Elk. Speaking in favor property owner Denise Botz, Town of Elk. Motion Erickson/Barkstrom to allow the property owner to exceed the three-minute time limit for another three minutes. Motion carried. Hearing declared closed at 9:37 a.m.
5. Decision on Special Exception Permit filed by David and Denise Botz: Evan clarified that the building permit process does not verify lot line setbacks. That is the responsibility of the property owner. Motion Barkstrom/Erickson to approve the special exception permit with the condition that the setback be adhered to at five feet and any necessary alterations be completed within six months. Motion carried.
6. Public hearing declared open at 9:47 a.m. for the Conditional Use Permit filed by Michael Dahlie for the purpose of renting a home on a short-term basis on property located in the Town of Worcester (W6647 County Road H). Amanda reviewed list of notices sent. No communication or public comment. Hearing declared closed at 9:48 a.m.
7. Decision on the Conditional Use Permit filed by Michael Dahlie: Motion Erickson/Strobl to approve the conditional use permit filed by Michael Dahlie. Motion carried.
8. Public hearing declared open at 9:49 a.m. for the Special Exception Permit filed by Chad and Lana Edwards for the purpose of building a new storage building 40 feet to the center line of E Wilson Flowage Road on property located in the Town of Elk (N8085 E Wilson Flowage Road). Amanda reviewed list of notices sent. No correspondence or public comment. Hearing declared closed at 9:52 a.m.
9. Decision on the Special Exception Permit filed by Chad and Lana Edwards: Motion Strobl/Barkstrom to approve the special exception permit filed by Chad and Lana Edwards. Motion carried.
10. Public hearing declared open at 9:54 a.m. for the Special Exception Permit filed by David Grawvunder for the purpose of building a new garage 43 feet to the center line of Fleming Road on property located in the Town of Lake (W10015 Fleming Road). Amanda reviewed list of notices sent. No correspondence or public comment. Hearing declared closed at 9:55 a.m.
11. Decision on the Special Exception Permit filed by David Grawvunder: Motion Erickson/Strobl to approve the special exception permit filed by David Grawvunder. Motion carried.
12. Land Division filed by Daniel Kohl to create one lot in Town of Emery. Motion Barkstrom/Strobl to approve the land division filed by Daniel Kohl. Motion carried.
13. Department Report: Busy season. New administrative assistant has started and catching up on backlog.
14. Zoning financial reports and vouchers: Motion Barkstrom/Strobl to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$3,386.64. Motion carried.

15. This portion of the meeting adjourned at 9:59 a.m.

Land Conservation - Evan Lund

16. Call to order and roll call: This portion of the meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m. Roll call as noted above.

17. Public Comment and Communications: Introduction of new USDA wildlife damage program administrator Luke Irish. Legislation has been introduced to move the responsibility of administering the program from the county level to the state level.

18. Department report: Jason is in the field a lot working on cost share programs.

19. Land Conservation financial reports and vouchers: Motion Strobl/Erickson to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$67,840.81. Motion carried.

20. This portion of the meeting adjourned at 10:09 a.m.

Miscellaneous:

21. Minutes from April 20, 2023 Meeting: Motion Erickson/Barkstrom to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2023 meeting as presented.

22. Set Next Meeting Dates: June 29 and July 27.

23. Community Outreach/Program Coordinator – Cheyanne Litvinoff: This position was the result of the decision to eliminate the UW-Extension Family Educator position and create this new position in the Health & Human Services Department. Reviewed the programming and outreach the position is developing.

UW-Extension – Art Lersch

24. Call to order and roll call: This portion of the meeting called to order at 10:30 a.m. Roll call as noted above. Above present Julie Diepenbrock, Wendy Rebne.

25. Public Comment and Communications: None.

26. Extension Educator Highlight Reports: Reviewed 4-H programming and the use of volunteers. Planning for the summer intern. FoodWise finishing in the schools and starting work with community gardens.

27. Growing the 4-H Program: Still waiting on funding decision from the UW.

28. Area Extension Director Updates: Art and Alan are meeting UW-Extension area dean to review county programs.

29. UW Extension financial reports and vouchers: Motion Barkstrom/Erickson to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$62.60. Motion carried.

30. Meeting adjourned at 10:56 a.m.

Respectfully submitted: Jean Gottwald, County Clerk