

Price County Land Use / UW-Extension Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: April 20, 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, Lorelei Wakefield, Dennis Wartgow, Larry Meives (Land Conservation). Excused: Rick Morgan (UW-Extension). Also present: Nick Trimner, Evan Lund, Art Lersch.

Items for discussion and possible action:

Zoning – Evan Lund

1. Call to order and roll call: This portion of the meeting called to order at 9:01 a.m. Roll call as noted above. Also present Amanda McMeekin.
2. Public Comment and Communications: None.
3. Public hearing declared open at 9:02 a.m. for the petition for zoning amendment filed by Jeff Redetzke to rezone one (1) parcel of land located within the Town of Worcester, (W6920 Paradise Lane), from A-1 (Agriculture District) to CI-C (Commercial District): Amanda reviewed list of notices sent. No correspondence received. Pastor Jason Thomas from the Victory Christian Center (remote) in support and available for questions. No comments received. Hearing declared closed at 9:07 a.m.
4. Decision on the petition for zoning amendment filed by Jeff Redetzke: Motion Barkstrom/Strobl to approve the rezone filed by Jeff Redetzke. Motion carried.
5. Resolution – Amend Chapter 530, Article VI (Redetzke Rezone): Motion Barkstrom/Strobl to approve the resolution and forward to the County Board for their consideration. Motion carried.
6. Department Fee Schedule: Rezone fee is no longer covering the costs. Evan will bring department fee schedule to the committee at a future meeting.
7. Department Report: Permits picking up with building season. May 3 – 24 auction for one parcel. Working with DNR on 5-R property clean up now that the County owns the property. There isn't enough money or time to complete the cleanup per the legislation that was approved. Requesting extension. Most of the contamination is electronics and leaded glass, which is contained.
8. Zoning financial reports and vouchers: Motion Erikson/Strobl to approve the voucher in the amount of 80,684.00. Motion carried.
9. This portion of the meeting adjourned at 9:18 a.m.

Land Conservation – Evan Lund

10. Call to order and roll call: This portion of the meeting called to order at 9:19 a.m. Roll call as noted above.
11. Public Comment and Communications: None.
12. Department report: All 2024 grants have been filed. Received \$43,000 for water resource projects. \$103,000 for department operations. Bidding out the four snowmobile bridge contracts for 2023. Four new bridge projects planning for next year. CleanSweep end of September in Phillips.
13. Land Conservation financial reports and vouchers: Motion Strobl/Wakefield to approve the voucher in the amount of \$350.00. Motion carried.
14. This portion of the meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

Miscellaneous:

15. Minutes from March 23, 2023 Meeting: Motion Barkstrom/Erickson to approve the minutes from the March 23, 2023 meeting as presented. Motion carried.
16. Set Next Meeting Dates: May 25, June 29.

UW-Extension – Art Lersch

17. Call to order and roll call: This portion of the meeting called to order at 9:27 a.m. Roll call as noted above. Also present Julie Diepenbrock.
18. Public Comment and Communications: A new school representative will need to be appointed to replace Rick Morgan, who is retiring.
19. Extension Educator Highlight Reports: Reviewed reports. Consensus of committee that Julie doesn't need to track her time for the committee any longer. Reviewed various projects and programs. Summer interim has been selected. Meeting with Baratka representatives to plan activities at the Fairgrounds.

20. Growing the 4-H Program: Currently 95 kids enrolled in 4-H. Need to determine if Price County is interested in requesting an expanded 4-H program. Potentially moving from a half-time presence to full-time. Will need to reach out to the UW system and define money for the County budget if this would move forward for 2024.
21. Area Extension Director Updates: Former Price County 4-H member has been hired as the state 4-H assistant.
22. UW Extension financial reports and vouchers: Motion Strobl/Wakefield to approve the voucher in the amount of \$449.91. Motion carried.
23. Meeting adjourned at 10:14 a.m.

Respectfully submitted: Jean Gottwald, County Clerk