

Meeting Minutes
Price County Land Use / UW-Extension Committee

Date: July 23, 2020

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 Alan Barkstrom, Committee Vice-chairperson at 9:00 a.m. Present: Alan Barkstrom, Bruce Jilka, Robert Kopisch, Mark Kyle, Rick Morgan (UW-Extension), Don Onchuck (Land Conservation). Excused: William Teeters. 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 9:00 a.m. Roll call as noted above. Also present Amanda McMeekin.
2. Communications: None.

Public Hearings:

3. Public hearing declared open at 9:01 a.m. for the Conditional Use Permit filed by Jessica Loewe for the purpose of operating an accounting business in her home on property located within part of the SW1/4 NW1/4, Section 15, Township 40N, Range 3E, Town of Fifield (N15970 Figi Road): Amanda reviewed list of notices sent. No comments received. Public hearing declared at 9:04 a.m.
4. Decision on Conditional Use Permit filed by Jessica Loewe: Motion Jilka/ Kyle to approve the Conditional Use Permit filed by Jessica Loewe. Motion carried.
5. Public hearing declared open at 9:04 a.m. for the Conditional Use permit filed by Ninja Property Management LLC for the purpose of operating a warehouse and freight transfer station for the purpose of delivery/pickup services for FedEx Ground and rental storage units on property currently owned by Robin Sveum and located within part of Government Lot 5, Section 30, Township 39N, Range 1E, Town of Fifield (State Highway 13): Amanda reviewed list of notices sent. No comments received. Andrew VanDyke, business owner, available via phone for comments and questions. Hearing declared closed at 9:12 a.m.
6. Decision on Conditional Use Permit filed by Ninja Property Management LLC: Motion Kyle/Kopisch to approve the Conditional Use Permit filed by Ninja Property Management LLC. Motion carried.
7. Land Division – None.
8. Short-term Rentals: Evan had looked into how other counties are regulating short-term rentals. He only found one county that charges an annual licensing fee on the county level. Several counties act as lodging licensing agent of the state and maintain annual licenses through DATCP. Motion Kopisch/Jilka to draft a resolution requesting the State return more control to local governments regarding regulating short-term rentals. Motion carried.
9. Department report: Permits are up. Land sale auction concluded on Tuesday. All properties were sold. Profit will be approximately \$40,000. Park Falls Development LLC and Phillips Lionite Wood Products LLC are still tax delinquent, which have put those properties into the tax deed process. Not proceeding with the 5-R properties due to contamination and legal issues.
10. Zoning financial reports and vouchers: Motion Kopisch/Kyle to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$3,243.25. Motion carried.
11. This portion of the meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Land Conservation – Evan Lund

12. Call to order and roll call: This portion of the meeting called to order at 9:45 a.m. Roll call as noted above.
13. Communications: Don Onchuck reported that FSA is not meeting face-to-face, but are working with clients via phone/email/mail.
14. Bids for Deer Creek and Genny Creek snowmobile bridges: Motion Kyle/Jilka to accept the bids from Janak & Sons of \$30,501.25 and \$29,293.28, respectively. Motion carried.
15. Department report: Snowmobile grant is finished for the year. Expect cost-share with snowmobile clubs to be approximately \$350,000.
16. Land Conservation financial reports and vouchers: Motion Kopisch/Kyle to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$17,816.02. Motioned carried.
17. This portion of the meeting adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

Miscellaneous:

18. Minutes from June 18, 2020 Meeting: Motion Jilka/Kopisch to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2020 meeting as presented. Motion carried.
19. Future agenda items: Zoning resolution.
20. Set Next Meeting Dates: August 20, September 17.

UW-Extension – Art Lersch

21. Call to order and roll call: This portion of the meeting called to order at 10:12 a.m. Roll call as noted above. Also, present via phone conference Julie Diepenbrock, Libby Huber, Brenda Fierke.
22. Communications: None.
23. Introduction of new 4-H Program Coordinator – Julie Diepenbrock: Started July 7th with shared position with Taylor County. Has 4-H and teaching experience.
24. Extension Educator highlight reports: Discussion on how to utilize department for various areas of assistance during these changed times. Suggestion from Committee for UWEX to provide department calendar of events/programs. Following State and CDC guidelines for all programming. PPP training (positive parenting program), virtual and in-person outside StrongBodies, Reality Fair in March. Staff trainings. Price County Fair cancelled. Animal auction will be done online. 4-H family contacts. FoodWise trainings and meetings. Unsure what education options will there be in the fall. No Master Gardener program this year.
25. Area Extension Director and university updates: Developing standards for in-person staff and program meetings. All staff is telecommuting. 2021 budget submitted.
26. UW Extension financial reports and vouchers: Motion Kopisch/Kyle to approve vouchers in the amount of \$2,256.51. Motion carried.
27. Meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted: Jean Gottwald, County Clerk