

**Price County Land Use / UW-Extension Committee
Meeting Minutes**

Date: August 19, 2021

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 Chairperson at 9:00 a.m. Present: Alan Barkstrom, Doug Erickson, Paula Houdek, Mark Kyle, Dennis Wartgow, Rick Morgan (UW-Extension). Absent: Don Onchuck (Land Conservation). Also present: Nick Trimner, Evan Lund, Art Lersch, Ginny Strobl, Waldemar Madsen.

Nick reviewed process for anyone attending electronically.

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. Public Comment and Communications: None.
3. Public hearing declared open at 9:05 a.m. for the Conditional Use Permit filed by Daniel and Heidi Elsen for the purpose of operating a seasonal eight site campground on property located within part of the SW1/4 NW1/4 and SE1/4 NW1/4, Section 24, Township 37N, Range 1W, Town of Elk (N8249 E. Wilson Flowage Road). Amanda reviewed list of notices sent. No communications received. Public hearing declared closed at 9:09 a.m.
4. Decision on Conditional Use Permit filed by Daniel and Heidi Elsen: Motion Houdek/Wartgow to approve the conditional use permit filed by Daniel and Heidi Elsen. Motion carried. Property owner will need to follow DATCP and County campground regulations.
5. Public hearing declared open at 9:10 a.m. for the proposed amendment to the following county ordinance: Chapter 518, Private Sewage Systems, Section 518-24, Fees, of the Code of Price County is hereby amended to add a new item to be known as §518-24 B (8) as follows:
§518-24 B (8) A POWTS program fee.
(a) As allowed by §145.20(4), Wis. Stats., each owner of a POWTS shall annually be charged a fee per POWTS for the recordkeeping attributable to the inventory and tracking of the pumping and maintenance of each POWTS. The annual fee shall be included on the property owner's property tax bill as a special charge.
Amanda verified that notices were sent to all municipalities and a Class II notice was published. Communications received: Opposition: petition from Town of Hill with seven signatures, petition from Town of Knox/Linda Heikkinen with 238 signatures, letters from the Town of Emery Board and Town of Hackett Clerk.
Spoke against: Ginny Strobl, Town of Georgetown Chairman (spoke twice); Hank Wendt, Town of Knox Chairperson; Linda Heikkinen, Town of Knox Treasurer; David Blomberg, Town of Ogema (spoke twice); Frank Oresnik, Town of Catawba; Waldemar Madsen, City of Phillips,
Spoke in favor: Jean Gottwald, City of Park Falls. Public hearing declared closed at 9:35 a.m.
6. Decision on the proposed amendment to the following county ordinance: Chapter 518, Private Sewage Systems, Section 518-24, Fees, of the Code of Price County is hereby amended to add a new item to be known as §518-24 B (8): Mr. Barkstrom and Mrs. Houdek received several phone calls and discussions with citizens against. Motion Erickson/Barkstrom to postpone indefinitely. Roll call vote: Yes (4): Barkstrom, Erickson, Houdek, Kyle. No: (1): Wartgow. Motion carried.
7. Land Division filed by Albert Simpson on behalf of Jacob and Sarah Huggard, Town of Worcester: Motion Kyle/Houdek to approve the land division filed by Albert Simpson on behalf of Jacob and Sarah Huggard contingent on DOA approval. Motion carried.
8. Land Division filed by Albert Simpson on behalf of Thomas and Lori Smith, Town of Elk: Motion Erickson/Houdek to approve the land division filed by Albert Simpson on behalf of Thomas and Lori Smith contingent on DOA approval. Motion carried.
9. Land Division filed by Albert Simpson on behalf of David and Kim Blasing, Town of Flambeau: Motion Wartgow/Kyle to approve the land division filed by Albert Simpson on behalf of David and Kim Blasing contingent on DOA approval. Motion carried.
10. Land Division filed by Sam Kotke on behalf of James and Jean Cummings, Town of Ogema: Motion Houdek/Erickson to approve the land division filed by Sam Kotke on behalf of James and Jean Cummings contingent on DOA approval. Motion carried.

11. Land Division filed by Lester and Mary Jean Peterson, Town of Hackett: Motion Kyle/Houdek to approve the land division filed by Lester and Mary Jean Peterson. Motion carried on voice vote (Erickson abstained).
12. Department report: No written report available. Permits have been very busy.
13. Zoning financial reports and vouchers: Motion Wartgow/Kyle to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$3,968.01. Motion carried.
14. This portion of the meeting adjourned at 10:07 a.m.

Land Conservation – Evan Lund

15. Call to order and roll call: This portion of the meeting called to order at 10:07 a.m. Roll call as noted above.
16. Public Comment and Communications: None.
17. Department report: Jason is getting information out on wild parsnip and other invasives identification and treatment. Cost share projects are finishing. Snowmobile grant money expected soon.
18. Land Conservation financial reports and vouchers: Motion Houdek/Erickson to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$96,100.74. Motion carried.
19. This portion of the meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Miscellaneous:

20. Minutes from July 22, 2021 Meeting: Motion Houdek/Kyle to approve the minutes from the July 22, 2021 meeting as presented. Motion carried.
21. Set Next Meeting Dates: September 23, November 18

UW-Extension – Art Lersch (remote)

22. Call to order and roll call: This portion of the meeting called to order at 10:26 a.m. Roll call as noted above. Also present: Julie Diepenbrock, Amannda Szomi, Wendy Rebne, Brenda Fierke.
23. Public Comment and Communications: County Fair is being advertised. Spirit/Hill/Ogema fair was well attended.
24. Extension Educator Highlight Reports: Amannda Szomi reviewed her intern experience. Four day camps were held with 24 attendees. 4-H clubs are meeting with enrollment starting September 1st. Price County fair exhibits are down. Doing promotions for community attendance. Open to public Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Making exhibit and animal showing accommodations for the two missing buildings. FoodWise working with food pantries and community gardens.
25. Extension Vacant Position: The Dean's leadership team will be meeting to discuss staffing. StrongBodies will continue with fall sessions. Discussion on continuation of a Human Development and Relationships position. The committee should define the programs wanted in order to determine the structure and focus of the position. Committee instructed Art to provide a list of programs available, programs that are working in area counties and suggestions for programs that may be a good fit for Price County.
26. Area Extension Director Updates: The Dean's leadership team will be meeting to discuss staffing.
27. UW Extension financial reports and vouchers: Motion Wartgow/Erickson to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$452.94. Motion carried.
28. Meeting adjourned at 11:22 a.m.

Respectfully submitted: Jean Gottwald, County Clerk