

# TOWN OF FARMINGTON

## PLANNING COMMISSION

**MEETING MINUTES**  
 REGULAR MEETING  
 TUESDAY MAY 20, 2014  
 PREPARED BY: CRYSTAL SBAGGIA

N8309 STATE ROAD 108 | MINDORO, WISCONSIN 54644 | WWW.CO.LA-CROSSE.WI.US/TOWNOFFARMINGTON

**ATTENDEES:**

**CHAIRMAN:** Mike Raabe | **COMMITTEE MEMBERS:** Joan Dolbier, Steve Kirchner, Paul Lash, Nan Hoban

CATEGORY	TASK / DECISION
<p>Call to Order</p>	<p>The meeting was called order at 7:30 PM in the Farmington Town Hall by Chairman, Mike Raabe</p>
<p>MINUTE REVIEW</p>	<p>Crystal Sbraggia read the minutes from the April, 22, and 2014 meeting.  <b>mmsp: Joan / Paul</b> - Motion to approve meeting minutes.</p>
<p>DUSTY AND JODY ANDERSON            VARIANCE REQUEST             PRESENT: DUSTY ANDERSON</p>	<p>Mr. Anderson wishes to construct an agricultural building that falls within the county setback requirements. This estimated 30'x120' building will be used primarily to house livestock and will fall short of the required 60 foot county regulation by less than 27 feet. The building does, however, meet town setback regulations of 33 feet. Current buildings and road usage were considered throughout the discussion.</p> <p><b>mmsp: Paul / Joan</b> <i>"I make a motion to recommend variance approval and allow the Anderson's to construct an ag building closer to Anderson Road than required by county setback regulations."</i></p> <p><b>Action:</b> <i>The Planning Commission approval will be sent to Town Board for final recommendation.</i></p>
<p>WILLIAM AND JUDITH ROCKWOOD            VARIANCE REQUEST             PRESENT: JUDITH ROCKWOOD</p>	<p>Mrs. Rockwood presented the background information leading up the request and their reasoning for wanting to build on the area in question. Much discussion took place regarding their placement decision, alternative building options and the access roads surrounding their 80 acre lot. It was explained that the house would be built approximately 90-100 feet from the shoreline (The total variance would be approximately 210 feet closer than required by county shoreline ordinance). According to Judy Rockwood the septic posed no problems and that the chance for flooding was low due to the construction be placed 30 feet above the high water mark.</p> <p><b>mmsp: Steve / Joan</b> <i>"I make the motion to turn down the variance request due to the fact that the taxes gained from a single family house will not compensate for the money that will be needed to make improvements to Radcliffe Road."</i></p> <p><i>Following further discussion it was decided that the original motion made did not clearly address the Rockwood's intended variance request.</i></p> <p><b>mmsp: Mike / Nan</b> <i>"I make the motion to rescind the previous motion made by Steve that disapproved the variance request."</i></p>

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WILLIAM AND JUDITH ROCKWOOD VARIANCE REQUEST (CONTINUED)	<p><b>mmsp: Nan/Joan</b> “I move that we recommend the variance request and allow the Rockwood's house to be constructed on the area of land being proposed.”</p> <p><b>Action:</b> <i>The Planning Commission approval will be sent to Town Board for final recommendation.</i></p>
STEVE PAISLEY CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT REZONE REQUEST  PRESENT: STEVE PAISLEY	<p>Steve first explained his intentions of rezoning the 14.5 acres of land he owns in Burr Oak. It was determined that although this land currently houses a sand pit, rezoning is not necessary as it should already be zoned Rural Residential. It was suggested that he discuss his intention of terminating his existing conditional use permit with the county. The second portion of Mr. Paisley's request consisted of asking for approval for a conditional use permit that would allow mining of sand pit on 25 acres that he recently purchased on Wild Road near the Girl Scout Camp. He made it very clear that the sand pit would be solely open non-metallic mining for dairy bedding sand only.</p> <p><b>mmsp: Mike/Steve</b> “I recommend that a conditional use permit be granted to Mr. Paisley for the proposed non-frac sand mine on Wild Road.”</p> <p><b>Action:</b> <i>The Planning Commission approval will be sent to Town Board for final recommendation.</i></p>
PUBLIC INPUT / NEXT MEETING	<p><b>PUBLIC INPUT:</b> No public input was received.</p> <p>The next meeting is scheduled for June 17, 2014 at 7:30pm.</p>
MEETING ADJOURNED	<p><b>mmsp: Paul / Nan</b> <i>Adjourn</i></p>

**\*\*Meeting minutes subject to change based on committee approval\*\***