

TOWN OF FARMINGTON

PLANNING COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING – JUNE 30, 2015
PREPARED BY: CRYSTAL SBRAGGIA

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

ATTENDEES:

CHAIRMAN: Mike Raabe | COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Joan Dolbier, Steve Kirchner, Crystal Sbraggia

CATEGORY	TASK / DECISION
Call to Order	The meeting was called order at 7:35PM in the Farmington Town Hall by Chairman, Mike Raabe
MINUTE REVIEW	Because this was a special meeting no meeting minutes were reviewed.
Joshua Walden Crossfire Inc. LAND REZONE REQUEST A request to rezone a donated parcel of land located on AE from Ag to Single Family Residential.	<p>The request to rezone (parcel 5-178-1) from exclusive ag to rural residential was revisited from the June 16, 2015 meeting where it was tabled again due to insufficient information.</p> <p>Since the last meeting the following details have been confirmed.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. No restrictions were noted on the most current deed obtained by Josh Walden.2. Several lots surrounding parcel 5-178-1 were discussed by the Plan Commission Meeting back in 2013. At that time three separate lots were approved for conditional use permits that would allow for residential construction. Nothing in the notes detailed any conversations regarding this specific 22.14 acre parcel.3. It appears there was a similar request for this same parcel denied by the county in 2011, however, the Farmington Plan Commission was never involved with this past request and no meeting notes from the county were available to compare circumstances then and now.4. According to the Farmington Comprehensive Plan document Section 2 Land Use Soil Map 8.1, the parcel in question is ranked as a grade IV - VIII soil meaning it is not prime agriculture land.5. Per Section 2.1 Land Use Element Goal A paragraph "B" the committee should avoid approving residential construction on parcels that are considered prime agricultural land, cultural or historical in nature or categorized as wetland. The parcel discussed would not fall into any of these protected categories.6. According to Josh Walden per discussions with a USDA rep, the parcel is not considered valuable in terms of farmland. Other board members familiar with the land agreed.7. The parcel is surrounded by other residential housing structures and therefore would not negatively impact any sort of currently active farmland.

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	Mmsp: STEVE / MIKE: <i>Based on facts discussed, I recommend approving the request of Crossfire Inc.to rezone parcel 5-178-1 from Exclusive Agriculture to Rural Residential with the stipulation that construction be restricted to a single family home.</i>
MEETING ADJOURNED	mmsp: Mike / Joan <i>Adjourn 7:55PM</i> <i>NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR 7:30PM ON JULY 21,2015.</i>

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