

TOWN OF FARMINGTON

PLANNING COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES
 REGULAR MEETING
 Tuesday September 19, 2017
 PREPARED BY: CRYSTAL SBAGGIA

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

ATTENDEES:

CHAIRMAN: Mike Raabe | **COMMITTEE MEMBERS:** Dan Heidel, Paul Lash, Mike White

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<p>Call to Order</p>	<p>The meeting was called to order by Mike Raabe at 7:30PM in the Farmington Town Hall</p>
<p>Meeting Minute Review</p>	<p>Mmsp: (White / Paul) A motion was made to approve the August 15, 2017 minutes as read.</p> <p>Mmsp (Raabe / White) A motion was made to approve the September 7, 2017 minutes as read.</p>
<p>Allan Storandt Request for Conditional Use Permit</p>	<p>Allan Storandt was present at the meeting with information regarding his request to gain a conditional use permit to build a residential building onto the 40 acre tax parcel 5-860-0 that is currently part of a larger Base Farm Tract that is approximately 160 total acres and is owned by his father Charles Storandt. Mr. Storandt is proposing that the new structure be situated on the NE corner of the parcel along County Hwy T. There is currently one residential building on the connecting parcel just south of parcel in question. The</p> <p>The committee quickly agreed that the request would fit acreage restrictions set forth by the Comprehensive Plan in that both the 2 acre recommendation and 35-42 acreage restriction were fulfilled.</p> <p>It was noted, however, that the soil on which he wishes to build appears to be classified as Class II. According to the Comprehensive Plan Section 2 – Land Use Element Goal A Item A & B, it is recommended that when residential structures are proposed in agricultural areas that during the permit review process they be encouraged to be located on non-productive agricultural land and in a location that will not effect an existing agricultural operation. Prime agricultural land is defined as soils designated as Class I, II and III on the Town of Farmington Soils Map 8.1.</p> <p>The committee discussed his ability to choose a different area fro construction, however, Allan explained that much thought was put into the proposed placement and that both him and his father feel that this placement would have the least amount of negative impact</p>

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	<p>to their crop yield. Despite the classification noted on the map, Allan explained that the land in which he hopes to build often times holds moisture in a way that makes it difficult to grow certain types of crops. He shared photos illustrating this and explained that the soils listed as Class III on the southern part of his BFT actually allowed for more manageable crops.</p> <p>The committee considered the discrepancy from the plan, however, felt that Allan's strong reasoning and farming experience was cause enough to support his proposed placement and request.</p> <p>Mmsp: (Paul / White) A motion was made to recommend approval for a conditional use permit to be granted allowing a single family house to be constructed onto tax parcel 5-860-0.</p>
Public Input	No public input was noted.
Adjourn	The meeting adjourned at 830pm.