

Town of Saratoga Plan Commission

April 8, 2015

Plan Commission Members	
Dan Forbes, Chair	Dave Barth
Gordon Wipperfurth, Co-chair	Sarajane Snyder;
Tom Grygo, Secretary, Excused	Lorelei Fuehrer Alternate
Public Present	
None	

Dan Forbes opened the meeting of the Town of Saratoga Plan Commission at 6:30 P.M. on April 8, 2015 in the Saratoga Town Hall. The meeting was officially noticed.

Motion by Barth to approve the March 11, 2015 Plan Commission minutes, second by Snyder, motion approved.

Plan Commission terms of Wipperfurth, and Fuehrer end later this month; both are willing to continue serving another term, Forbes will make a recommendation to the Town Board to approve Wipperfurth, and Fuehrer for an additional two-year term.

Forbes asked if anyone was aware of a citizen willing to serve on the Board of Appeals? One member is needed from the citizenry there were no recommendations.

Fuehrer said the building permits issued by the Town for the Wysocki farm expire on May 23. Wysocki is unclear about whether they can proceed under the existing Town permit or if state laws governing farm buildings supersede the local permit. Environmental approval from the DNR is still needed for the farm to proceed, plus Wysocki has not purchased the proposed farm property from Plum Creek.

Wipperfurth reported Thor Laisy has contacted Plum Creek and many local governmental and local group leaders regarding a proposed Saratoga Recreational Park. Plum Creek supposedly is threatening to sue Laisy if he pursues development. There seems to be some local support for the proposed Laisy development.

Motion by Fuehrer to have Forbes discuss the Laisy proposal with the Town board to see if the Planning Committee should pursue support for a recreational park, second by Wipperfurth, motion approved.

Revision of zoning districts and comprehensive plan, a discussion followed about conditional use permits and/or limited spot zoning i.e. Deer Trail Park building. Ideally the Plan Commission should look at a long-term big picture regarding connections to existing and possible future improvements both within and outside Saratoga. The committee will look at accessory permits for approved conditional use areas if the accessory activity relates to the conditional use.

Possible zoning word change as follows:

7.1.6 Public and private ~~parks~~, recreation areas picnic areas and similar uses

Next meeting is scheduled for May 13, 2015, at 6:30 PM in the Town of Saratoga Town Hall.

Motion by Snyder to adjourn, second by Fuehrer, motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Submitted by Tom Grygo from notes taken by Dave Barth.