

## Town of Verona Plan Commission Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 28, 2014 6:30 pm

Town of Verona Hall

335 North Nine Mound Rd.

Members Present: Manfred Enburg, Ron Melitsoff, Mark Geller, Deb Paul, Laura Dreger

Absent: None

Staff: Amanda Arnold

Also Present: See sign in sheet

1. Call to Order/Approval of Regular Meeting Agenda @ 6:30 p.m. – Manfred Enburg called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Motion by Geller to approve the agenda. Second by Dreger. Motion carried.
2. Public Comment – None.
3. Discussion of the potential abandonment of Wesner Rd. – Manfred explained that the Town would like to abandon Wesner Rd. Representatives from Resurrection Lutheran Church (6705 Wesner Rd) were in attendance as was Chris James from the Dane County Parks Department. Everyone acknowledged that the road serves a limited group. Chris James suggested exploring a Memorandum of Understanding for maintenance rather than abandonment. The group asked Amanda Arnold for more information on the potential timeline for potential abandonment. Chris James explained that the new dog park lot wouldn't open until next spring and that the County planned to do some paving/patching of the road. Amanda offered to set up a staff level meeting before the next Plan Commission meeting to gather more information.
4. Discussion of a comprehensive plan amendment to create a Farmland Preservation area and remove a neighborhood plan boundary approximately along CTH PD between Shady Oak Lane and Timber Lane. – Amanda presented a map showing the concept of removing the neighborhood boundary and placing some land in farmland preservation (land that property owners asked to be put back into A1ex zoning). Brian Standing from Dane County was present to answer questions. There was a long conversation about the pros and cons of placing land into farmland preservation and about the zoning options (AB, A4, and A1ex) that would be available. Brian made the following points, among others: farm businesses are allowed in farmland preservation areas, but non-farm residences are not, no more than 20% of a farmland preservation area can be non-farmland, removing property from a farmland preservation area requires a comp plan amendment. It was decided that Amanda would refine the maps for next month's meeting.
5. Discussion and possible action on Resolution 2014-1 Amending the Town of Verona Comprehensive Plan – No action
6. Approval of minutes from September 23th – Motion by Paul. Second by Geller. Motion carried.
7. Confirm next meeting date – Nov 25 confirmed. December 17<sup>th</sup> set for the following meeting.
8. Adjourn – Motion by Geller. Second by Dreger. Motion carried at 8:15 p.m.

Amanda Arnold  
Planner/Administrator

Approved: