

Town of Verona
Natural and Recreational Area Committee Minutes
Town of Verona Conference Room, 7669 County Hwy PD
4/19/2017

Present: David Lonsdorf, DuWayne Hoffman, Bob Stellick

Absent: Bill Keen

Attendee: Kirk Feller

In the absence of Chairman Keen, Lonsdorf called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

Approval of Agenda –

Hoffman moved to approve; 2nd Stellick. Motion carried 3-0.

Public Comments – none

Update from Members – none

Old Business –

Minutes from the March 15, 2017 meeting were reviewed. Stellick moved to approve; 2nd Hoffman. Motion carried 3-0.

Review Natural and Cultural Resources Chapter of Comprehensive Plan –

Hoffman questioned the meaning of the phrase “prime farmland”. He expressed concern that restricting the sale of prime farmland could be unfair to farmers. Town resident Kirk Feller expressed similar concerns. In the absence of Committee Chair Keen, the group then decided to table further discussion of the plan until next meeting.

Landscaping at New Town Hall –

The committee reviewed the Morrison Plan for Landscaping. Available for review were site plan drawings and lists of seeds needed for the various types of prairies he recommended planting. The committee members all agreed the plans looked nice. Concerns included:

- No space for overflow parking if the paved lots are full
- The cost of the plan is not indicated; it appears to be very expensive and possibly not affordable
- There are 13 types of grasses and over 40 types of flowering plants; no quantities of seeds are indicated
- Buying seeds would be very expensive; collecting and preparing all these types of seeds will be very time consuming and difficult
- Maintenance of several different types of prairies will be difficult – who will do this?

Proposed Planning Districts - No comments for this item

Scheduled Next Meeting –

Lonsdorf indicated he could not make the next meeting on May 17. The group agreed tentatively to schedule the next meeting on Wednesday, May 24, 2017 at 7:00 PM; they will need to check with Chair Keen to confirm.

Adjourn – Hoffman motioned; 2nd Stellick. Motion carried 3-0 at 7:51 PM.

Approved: May 24, 2017

Prepared by: David Lonsdorf