

## ***VERNON COUNTY ZONING***

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### **VERNON COUNTY ZONING COMMITTEE MEETING**

Committee Members: Jerry Cade - Chairman, Brian Richardson - Vice Chairman, Ray Moser, Francis Hynek, Richard Brose.

**DATE: Tuesday, April 12, 2011**

**PLACE: UW Extension Meeting Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Erlandson Bldg**

**TIME: 8:30 A.M.**

#### **Agenda**

1. Call to order
2. Affirmation of proper public notice of meeting
3. Review and approve minutes from last meeting
4. Work-Income-Expense Report
5. Review and Approve bills for payment
6. Farmland Preservation Zoning – Ben Wojahn LWCD
7. Administrators Report
8. Next meeting May 10, 2011
9. Adjournment

**Vernon County Zoning Committee Minutes**  
**UW Extension Meeting Room, Erlandson Building**

**April 12, 2011**

Members Present were Jerry Cade, Francis Hynek, Richard Brose, Ray Moser and Brian Richardson.

Others in attendance: Susan Burkhamer, Zoning Administrator, Ben Wojahn, LWCD (8:45)

Jerry Cade brought the meeting to order at 8:30. Proper notice and posting was affirmed by Burkhamer.

Richardson moved to approve the minutes from the March meeting as mailed, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hynek with all in favor.

Burkhamer presented the work-income-expense report stating that business seems slow due to the prolonged wintery weather. There have been many appointments set and postponed. Burkhamer noted there was a glitch in the financial report as it shows no field activity. Actually there were eight field days. One permit was issued, but systems were installed in March. Burkhamer said that she had attended the Wisconsin County Code Administrators spring conference in Wausau which is reflected in the report expenses. Burkhamer presented the monthly voucher in the amount of \$344.73 reflecting fuel expenses to Kwik Trip, one permit fee to the State and lodging for the WCCA Spring Conference is included at \$140.00. Richardson moved to approve the voucher, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Moser with all in favor.

Administrators report: Burkhamer said she had completed the office portion of her annual audit by the Department of Commerce with no problems. Burkhamer reported that the maintenance program was started and she has received very few complaints, although there were many calls with questions.

Cade questioned if Ben Wojahn had cancelled. Burkhamer said she had not heard from him regarding cancellation. Discussion ensued regarding the Working Lands Program. Wojahn joined the meeting at 8:45. Wojahn presented the committee with handouts regarding the program status, which he said seems to change from day to day. Wojahn responded to many questions regarding the program and said that no particular action is required by the committee at this time, he simply wanted to share with the committee the questions coming in from farmers who's Farmland Preservation Agreements were expiring along with the tax credits available to them. Generally, most of the towns are not zoned and therefore Working Land tax credits are unavailable to the farmers. The towns without zoning seem to be looking to the County to handle the issues. If there were zoning at the County level, it would also make it easier for Land and Water to administer the program requirements in a consistent way. Wojahn invited anyone with questions to contact him at their convenience.

The next meeting was set for May 10, 2011 at 8:30 a.m. Moser moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Brose with all in favor.

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