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APPROVED

Planning Commission Draft Minutes

Date: Tuesday, October 15, 2024

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Location: Town Hall, 2800 Ward Ave, La Crosse, WI 54601

Town Officials Present: Commissioners Mike Kendhammer, Karen Kouba, and Al Schulz, Town Supervisor Marlene Heal, Clerk Fortune Berg and Administrator Christina Peterson.

Not Present: Chairperson Elliott Bujan and Commissioner Brian Benson.

Attendance List: Kevin Pape [on the phone] (Surveyor from Vierbicher).

1. The Planning Commission Meeting called to order by Schulz at 4:00 p.m.
2. Approve Minutes from 5/21/2024. Motion by Heal to approve minutes from 5/21/2024, second by Kendhammer. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Public Comment. None.
4. Certified Survey Map (CSM) for Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Inc. Peterson explained the request and the intent from the Shrine. Peterson noted this information was shared with the La Crosse County Highway engineer and he had no objections. Kouba asked what the role of the Town is, Peterson answered the annexation is not finalized, so the Town legally must review it. Peterson noted the surveyor Kevin Pape stated this is a consolidation. Discussion on the effect to the Town of Shelby taxbase, Peterson noted the mandates from state law that the City of La Crosse needs to reimburse the Town for the taxes for a certain number of years. Discussion on tax exemptions. Kevin Pape noted any spots where the Shrine owns to the center of the road, the land is being dedicated to the public, in areas where the Shrine owns to the right-of-way there will be no changes to the right-of-way. Discussion on annexation and other issues that may arise from this. Peterson recommended speaking with an attorney to make sure that the Town is moving forward appropriately to not open the door for annexations. Motion to recommend the town table the decision and seek legal advice before deciding, second by Heal. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Administrator Report.
 - a. Peterson reported a lot of construction projects are nearing completion.
 - b. Peterson noted grant opportunities and projects that may be coming.
 - c. Berg noted .gov for emails and website.
6. Commissioner Reports.
 - a. Schulz noted property in Ebner Coulee Road fence that is right on the road and there is no room for pedestrian traffic.
 - b. Kendhammer asked about Van Aelstyn suit, Peterson noted it was settled in court and the Town owns the area.
7. Adjournment. Motion by Kouba, second by Heal to adjourn at 4:47 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Next regular meeting will take place Tuesday, November 19, 2024 @ 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Fortune M. Berg, Clerk