

PLAN COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

VILLAGE OF NORTH PRAIRIE

JANUARY 10, 2023 at 6:30 PM

NORTH PRAIRIE VILLAGE HALL -130 N HARRISON STREET

- The meeting was called to order by Acting Chairman Dave Stellpflug at 6:30 PM in the Municipal Center.
- Roll was taken with the following were present: Chair Dave Stellpflug, Mike Radomski, Al Mull, and Mike Schreiber
- Excused: Gary Nickerson, Tim Paulson and Nick Treder.
- Also present: Deputy Clerk Pauline Wigderson, Village Building Inspector Scott Johnson, John Carini, Luis Olivares, Donna Samuels, Annette Schiebel, John Heintz Taylor and Eric Schwartz.
- Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- It was noted that proper notice of this meeting had been posted in accordance with the open meeting laws of the State of Wisconsin.
- Approval of December 6, 2022 Plan Commission Minutes:
Motion by Mike Schreiber, second by Al Mull to approve the Plan Commission minutes of December 6, 2022, and waived reading thereof, motion carried.
- Public Comment
John Heintz Taylor wanted to discuss the improper zoning of his property located at 400 N Main Street. In March of 2022 he contacted the Village to correct the improper zoning of B3. The Village investigated the issue and had Ruekert & Mielke, the Village Engineering firm, correct it to the former AT zoning. Now a wetland designation has been added to the north end of the property and Mr. Taylor would like to have this removed from the property. The Deputy Clerk will contact Ruekert & Mielke to get the process moving.
- Discussion and/or Action as Necessary for the request from Eden Landscaping, 226 Industrial Drive, for their site plan and installation of fence around the property. The site plan shows parking for 5 trucks and 14 spaces for cars, and 1 space for handicap parking. There will also be 4 bins made out of cement block that will hold stone and mulch. The business owner would like to install a 6' fence vinyl around the property, but the zoning code does not allow a solid fence to be installed on the street yard unless it is 50% open. The Plan Commission recommending that the fence on the west and north sides of the building be the board and board and the south and east side of the building that the fence be at least 50% open. The gate on the east side of the property will be a slide gate. They will be doing snow plowing, but there will not be any road salt stored on the property. The greenspace is at 21%. The Village code requires at least 20%. There were concerns from members of the audience about this landscaping business being allow when there are residential homes across the street. What about all the noise from the trucks operating all hours of the day. The Plan Commission is not holding the public hearing on the possible rezoning of the property, so the residents should attend the Village Board meeting on January 12th to express their concerns.

- Motion by Al Mull, second Mike Schreiber to approve the site plan & installation of a 6' solid fence on the west & north side of the property and 50% open fence on the south and east of the property. Motion carried.
- Discussion and/or Action as Necessary for the request from St. John's Lutheran Church, 312 N Main Street to install three wooden crosses on their property. The Church would like to install 3 wooden crosses on the west (parking lot) side of the property. The middle cross will be 9 ½' tall and the two side crosses will be 7 ½' tall. The crosses will be installed 2 ½' underground. They will be angled on the property facing traffic as they go north out of town. They will be 10 – 12 feet off of the sidewalk. The Church must make sure that the crosses are not installed within the setback of the septic system and the right-of-way.

Motion by Dave Stellpflug, second by Mike Radomski to approve the installation of three wooden crosses at St. John's Lutheran Church on the west side of the property facing Main Street. The crosses must be out the right-of-way and the setback for the septic system. Motion carried.

- Discussion and/or Action as Necessary Eric Schwartz, 202 Morrissey Drive, an improperly installed concrete driveway. This item was on the December Plan Commission agenda and the Building Inspector was to contact the property owner to have 4 feet of the driveway at the road removed. Per section 46-3 Driveway/culvert permit required, states that concrete driveways shall not be installed in the public right-of-way. The owner does not understand why the driveway needs to be removed when there are others that have concrete all the way to the road. This code was in place when his driveway was installed, while others were installed when the code was not in place. The Village is having Morrissey Drive repaved in July 2023 and the driveway entrance will be replaced at that time.
- **Motion by Mike Schreiber second by Mike Radomski to adjourn at 7:32 p.m. Motion carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,
Pauline Wigderson