## TOWN PLAN COMMISSION MEETING WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2023 7:00 PM, CRESCENT TOWN HALL

**Call to Order:** Chairman Pazdernik called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. at the Crescent Town Hall. The meeting has been properly posted and distributed in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting law and the facility is handicap accessible.

**Committee members present:** Michael Pazdernik, Chair; David Holperin, Secretary; Niina Baum, Jonathan Jacobson, Lindsay Novak. Others attending were Dennis Lawrence representing North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (NCWRPC).

Absent: Connie Anderson, Jim Altenburg.

**Approval of the agenda:** Motion by Jacobson, second by Baum. Aye: all. Nay: none

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to approve the Minutes of the April 26, 2023 meeting by Novak, second by Baum. Aye: all. Nay: none.

**Discussion/Decision**: Town of Crescent Comprehensive Land Use Plan, Presentation by Dennis Lawrence on plan update

This meeting was an opportunity for the members present to review the body of chapters 4,5, and 6 that NCWRPC had prepared and submitted to us, working backwards from our "Goals, Objectives, Policies" that had been previously submitted to them.

<u>Chapter 4</u> included some questions about the schools in the areas (notably, the three private schools hadn't been included it the text), medical services (noted that Aspirus of Rhinelander with two locations was missing, as was the potential inclusion of the Erdmann Clinic, Health in Motion, and several Chiropractic practices, dental offices, etc.), and the Townline Lake Park.

It was noted that the Townline Lake Park actually inhabits two townships with some of the facilities listed as being on the Crescent side and the rest of the park and facilities on the Newbold side. Changes to the script were requested.

<u>Chapter 5</u> included questions on the roads, and a suggestion was made that we provide a hyper-link on the town webpage for various resources, roads, and trail routes. There were some questions about the phrasing of some of the goals and objectives in this chapter, followed by some suggestions for phrasing modifications.

With <u>Chapter 6</u> there were discussions on the employment data and related graphics, in particular the information (or lack thereof) of hospitality employment in the township. Dennis Lawrence provided each of us with a map that will become part of the plan and it included identification of several noted existing bike trails as well as proposed new trails. This led to a robust discussion about the labeling of the trails, because as Novak noted, County Highway N is identified as an existing bike trail, but in reality, it is a road without a dedicated bike lane and it can be dangerous near some of the sharp corners and when there is more traffic. The discussion then carried into the potentially new proposed trails and whether they will be the same or be a better trail. There were a few more questions about the contents of this chapter before moving on.

<u>Cover page</u>: Holperin asked if we should consider making changes to the cover content, but then Dennis Lawrence indicated that they usually include some sort of an introductory piece that accompanies the actual survey, and that added supplement articulates the purpose of the survey, some instructions, and more.

Lastly, there was an extensive discussion about how to optimize the participation in the survey, the mechanics of getting it out and retrieving completed surveys, the cost of mailing, the cost of printing and more. The end result is that we will attempt to do a postcard mailing to all known households that will include a QR Code for accessing the survey online. Additionally, we would like to have copies available at the Fire Department's Annual Picnic on July 17<sup>th</sup> where attendees can complete them on the spot and we can collect them.

Baum and Jacobson agreed to take charge of the postcard endeavor while Pazdernik agreed to get more information from Tracy Hartman on the availability of resident names and addresses. It was estimated that we might be able to cover this for under \$1,500 but we must determine if there are funds in the town budget. Dennis also gave the timeline for gathering the completed surveys, analyzing the data, and then completing the final product. We are looking at this coming October to have everything done.

Next proposed meeting dates are the respective Wednesdays of June 21<sup>st</sup> and July 19<sup>th</sup>.

Adjournment: Motion by Baum, second by Novak. Ayes, all; Nays, none.

Meeting adjourned at 8:22pm.