

**TOWN OF CRESCENT
MINUTES FOR
TOWN PLAN COMMISSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2024
7:00P.M., CRESCENT TOWN HALL**

Call to Order: Chairman Pazdernik called the meeting to order at 7:04 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, Jim Altenburg, Connie Anderson, Niina Baum, Linday Novak. Absent: Jonathan Jacobson. No additional attendees.

Approval of the Agenda: Motion to approve by Anderson, second by Altenburg. Aye: all. Nay: none. Motion carries.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve minutes of the November 20, 2024 meeting made by Altenburg, second by Anderson. Aye: all. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Discussion: Follow up on Property Rights Workshop

What stood out? Several agreed that we all learned more about the issue of annexation. It sounded more simple than might actually happen. Discussion followed. We agreed that we all learned more about this issue. The discussion turned to how this relates to other towns, such as the shopping center in the middle of Wausau that got annexed, and about a 1,000-acre parcel in the Stevens Point area that was annexed and sub-divided. The issue of hooking into existing city sewer/water was discussed further. No actions suggested.

Discussion: Chapter 3 of the Land Use Plan

Holperin expressed that a top priority for us should be to get aggressive on learning more about potential future threats to the township with respect to highly undesirable entities, projects, businesses, or other future developments

that might be considered by a majority, if not all community residents as an invasion to our community. The question was framed around finding a way to do this that might not require zoning or other regulatory measures. Pazdernik offered to contact Karl Jenrich of the county for perspective. Novak offered to reach out to Lynn Markham once again at the state department in Madison. Additionally, she indicated she could try to distribute an informative video on the topic. Robust discussion followed.

We all agreed that a good first step in the process would be to come up with a draft of “perceived threats” that could be used as a starting point for future meetings and discussions. Anderson offered to make two lists, one of things that we would likely not want to see built or available in our township at all, and the other a list of potential businesses or entities or endeavors that would require approval by various established agencies before proceeding to be built, offered, opened, etc.

Lastly, we agreed that we should ask Jacobson to develop some other priority issues that could be placed onto his future agendas for future meetings in 2025 in order to have adequate preparation prior to those meetings and to provide some direction for the committee so that more progress could be made with addressing goals and objectives contained in the comprehensive plan.

Next meeting to be Wednesday, January 22, 2025.

Motion to Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Anderson, seconded by Altenburg.
Aye: all. Nay: none. Motion carried; meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.