

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

TOWN OF ST. GERMAIN

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MINUTES ST. GERMAIN PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING: NOVEMBER 7, 2005

Meeting Type: Special Workshop Meeting of the P & Z Committee. The chairman noted that this was a duly called meeting in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law.

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 4:05 P.M. by Todd Wiese, Chairman
2. **Roll Call -Members Present:** Ted Ritter, Mary Platner, Todd Wiese, Tim Ebert, Zoning Administrator, Tom Martens, town clerk. Lee Holthaus and Marion Janssen were absent.
3. **Approve Agenda:** Motion Ritter seconded Platner that the agenda be approved as posted. Approved.
4. **Approval of Minutes:** Motion Platner seconded Ritter that the minutes of the October 17, 2005, regular meeting be approved as written. Approved.
5. **Ordinance Amendments Discussion/Action:**

5A. Review Amendment to Ordinance 5.11(7): In order to meet State Statute requirements, the town ordinance sec. 5.11(7) needs to be amended to read 10 days and not 45 days. Ms. Platner will make the necessary correction.

5B. Review Chapter 15 "Park Regulation" Ordinance: Mr. Wiese had prepared a draft of a Park Regulation ordinance. All of the following are suggested changes to the ordinance. "Excluding the St. Germain Golf Club" be added to the last sentence of sec. 15.01. The word "except" would be removed from sec. 15.02. "other than park generated trash" would be inserted in its place. Sec. 15.04 would be changed as follows: "The discharge of firearms, bow and arrows, and crossbows is prohibited in any town park. Hunting and the use of any trapping device for the capture of wild animals are prohibited. This section, or any part thereof, may be waived by authorization of the town board." Sec. 15.05 would read "within any park", instead of "the park".

Sec. 15.06(1) would state "No unauthorized vehicles". Also in sec. 15.06(1) the word "special" would be left out. Sec. 15.06(2) the speed limit would be (15) miles per hour. Under sec. 15.06(3), snowmobiles may be operated "irrespective of hours under sec. 15.06(1)". Sec. 15.07(2) would be eliminated. Throughout the ordinance reference to permission of the parks and recreation committee or public works committee would be changed to "town board or its designee".

The Park Regulation ordinance would be reviewed again at the next workshop meeting when the full committee is present.

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5C. Review Ordinance Amendment List for Next Workshop Session: Mr. Wiese handed out a list of proposed ordinance amendments. Under #1, setback requirements from dead end roads still need to be addressed. Mr. Wiese asked that Tim Ebert come up with some suggestions for the setbacks. Under #2, Mr. Ritter asked that emergency vehicle accessibility and Bill Jones requests be moved to the top of the list. A light ordinance was added to #3.

6. Miscellaneous Agenda Items – Discussion/Action:

6A. Town Park Closing Hours: The committee had already discussed park closing hours under section 5B.

7. Letters and Communications: There were no communications.

8. Committee Concerns:

8A. Ordinance Amendments: Mr. Ritter asked the status of the town's ordinance amendments. Mr. Wiese noted that the Vilas County Board was to meet tomorrow morning to approve the amendments. Once approved, Mr. Wiese will get copies of the amendments to the town clerk for publication and posting. The moratorium will end when the amendments become effective. Mr. Wiese will notify Charles Vogel and David Consoer concerning the termination of the moratorium.

8B. Ordinance Enforcement: Mr. Ebert asked how the new ordinances were going to be enforced. He wondered what was the point of having the ordinances if they could not be enforced. Mr. Wiese stated that in the future, the town would either have to give the constable more power, contract with the county, or have its own police department.

9. Date and Time of Next Meeting: The next regular Planning & Zoning Committee meeting will be held on Monday, November 21, 2005 at 5:00 P.M. in the boardroom of the Red Brick Schoolhouse. The following regular committee meeting will be on Monday, December 19, 2005 at 5:00 P.M.

10. Adjournment: Motion Platner seconded Ritter that the meeting be adjourned. Approved.
Meeting adjourned 6:10 P.M.

Town Clerk

Chairman

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