

**TOWN OF PARIS PLAN COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
AUGUST 20, 2007**

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Attending: Chairman John Holloway, Norma Buskirk, Emil Kreger, and Dave Hart with Town Board liaison Ron Kammerzelt and Building Inspector Frank Christensen  
John informed the Commission that Bob Frederick is recuperating from an injury and is at Hospitality Manor. He has decided at this time to step down from the Plan Commission.
4. Emil Kreger motioned with Dave Hart seconding to accept the minutes of the June 26, 2007 & July 10, 2007 meeting. Unanimous
5. Norma Buskirk motioned to remove the tabled petition. Emil Kreger seconded. The petition is from PRAM Productions Inc. (dba Great Lakes Dragaway) requesting the rezoning of Tax Parcel 45-4-221-081-0101 from A-2 General Agricultural District to PR-1 Park and Recreation District. The purpose of the petition is to allow the construction and operation of a motocross track on the property.  
Randy Henning distributed a conclusion page from a noise study done by Construction & Industrial Safety Consulting Services, Inc. They concluded that there would be no additional noise if motocross was added to the Drag Strip. The noise level was tested at four different locations, and different decibels were recorded. None of which were above 67 decibels, which is no where near a dangerous level. There were twenty motorcycles used in the study. Holloway inquired if the bikes were running or stationary. They were running. Night races would be run on 17 Fridays. Day races would be three to four during the summer. There would be four practices during the week. The Commission then received a lighting survey done by Musco Lighting. Musco would “re-deploy twenty 1,500 watt light fixtures from the existing drag strip (a 12.5% reduction) to the motocross track.” The poles would be changed from 60’ tall to 30’ tall. All lights would include shields to prevent glare.  
Randy went on to explain that the track he wants to build would be more of a beginner track, and therefore there would be fewer accidents. He presented the Commission with statistics stating that there were only five injuries serious enough in the last year that the Lake Geneva Track ran. There is some discrepancy regarding the DNR and the wetland determinations. Randy stated that he has had the land surveyed and there are errors on the official map. He believes that it will be changed and that the map from 1994 is more accurate than any newer maps. Holloway does not believe a survey done will change anything legally in regards to the flood plains.  
Dave Hart asked about the Conditional Use Permit. Randy Henning believes it is a County issue and does not want to discuss it at this time. John explained to Henning that the original items on a Conditional Use Permit come from the town. Randy’s attorney told him not to discuss it at this time.  
Frank Christensen spoke to Randy, explaining that adding on to a facility that is already is a problem is absurd. He stated that there has been nothing done in regards to traffic in the area, and people living in the area would still have problems from the noise and lighting there now.  
Dave Hart motioned with Emil Kreger seconding to deny the petition. Unanimous

Because of this vote the Conditional Use Permit petition (item #6) will not be heard.

7. Discussion and possible recommendation to the Town Board on Chapter XIII of the Multi-Jurisdictional Comprehensive Plan for Kenosha County (Economic Development Element.) John is disappointed in the minute amount of attention paid to agricultural elements. There is also no mention of green space or land preservation in this chapter. There are also discrepancies on page 6C in regard to Birchwood Foods. Norma Buskirk motioned to table the recommendation at this time. Dave Hart seconded. Unanimous

8. Update on Paris Smart Growth. The Commission believes an informational meeting should be the next step. A newsletter is also appropriate for all Paris residents, Land owners and renters. Hopefully an additional page will be added to the Paris web site with new information.

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Norma Buskirk motioned to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. with Emil Kreger seconding. Unanimous

Recorded by Norma J. Buskirk