

**TOWN OF PARIS PLAN COMMISSION
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 19, 2007**

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Attending: Chairman John Holloway, Norma Buskirk, Mark Wisnefski, Ron Kammerzelt, Emil Kreger, and Bob Frederick with Town Board liaison Ken Monson and Building Inspector Frank Christensen
4. Mark Wisnefski motioned with Bob Frederick seconding to accept the minutes of the January, 2007 meeting. Unanimous
5. Petition by Walter and Vera Jaeger (Owners) and Timothy and Brandy Panek (proposed buyers) to rezone 10 acres of tax parcel 45-4-221-032-0101 from A-1 and C-1 to A-2 and C-1. The existing parcel, located at 16515 – 1st Street is currently 72.13 acres with two residences located on it. The purpose of the petition is to allow for the separation of the west residence and barn from the original property. The proposed split would be from the northwest corner of the Jaeger farm with the dimensions of 300' of frontage and a depth of 1,508'. At this time no representatives are in attendance. Mark Wisnefski motioned to table the petition with Norma Buskirk seconding. Unanimous
6. Discussion Item: Great Lakes drag away, Randy Henning, etal (owners) wish to address the commission and present a proposal for a multi-year land use/business plan for the property. Proposed changes include a motocross track, go cart track and expanded parking and pit areas. Randy revealed his plans, with the explanation that is an about 10 year outlook. His plans have hospitality center VIP suites and an amphitheater that would accommodate between 3,000 and 5,000 people. The parking area and the pit area would also be expanded. Henning read a statement claiming motocross is the most popular amateur cycle racing for almost any age rider. The Great Lakes track would be the only motocross track in southeast Wisconsin, since the Lake Geneva track closed. The Great Lakes track would be open weekends from May to October.
Mark Wisnefski noted that there was quite a layout for camping but no additional restroom facilities shown. Randy believes there may already be enough. There would be no more paving of any road, they would remain gravel. There also would be no change in the topography on the property. There are wetlands on the property and Randy believes he can deal with the DNR if there are any concerns. Ron Kammerzelt made it known that when applying for a conditional use permit, that the entire property will be open for review, which can include lighting, proper codes, water and other items. Frank Christensen is bothered by the tracks existence. He stated that any changes would affect land owners east to the interstate. Traffic concerns, injuries, lack of fuel and groceries should be enough of a deterrent, to keep the track from expanding.
Paris Fire Department concerns include having a helipad and their own access road for any emergencies.
Residents from the area are not happy with the lighting on the property, the noise and the traffic at certain times. Drinking and driving are another. Yet other residents are concerned with fuel consumption and speeding on area roads. The PA system is heard at night. Residents want to know if there had been any complaints to the county and if they do complain, is there a telephone number available.

A sergeant with the Lake Geneva department is involved in motocross and his family enjoys the activity. He believes it is a good idea, instead of kids using roads and farm land to ride. The former owner of the track in Lake Geneva provided his own safety personnel on site. The owner of a track in Waukesha told how they are involved with the community and that they work together, if there are problems, they are addressed and resolved swiftly. There are no big rigs that carry motocross bikes; they are usually pick up trucks with trailers. A resident of Franksville ran motocross at the Great Lakes track until 1994, and he had no complaints. The bikes use very little fuel and the AMA has very strict noise rules.

John Holloway explained to the owners the steps they will have to take, a formal petition, and work with Kenosha County, in order to make any changes at the track.

The owners thanked all present for their input and invited all Paris residents to the track.

7. Norma Buskirk motioned to remove the petition from the Jaeger and Panek families off the table. Emil Kreger seconded. Unanimous. The parcel of land had come before the Commission about three years ago. They changed plans and did not need town approval. Ron Kammerzelt believes it was an unfortunate way to split the property, but it can not be fixed now. This particular parcel already has a home on it. Mark Wisnefski motioned to accept the petition with the consideration that there is an existing home on the property and there will be no new building. Ron Kammerzelt seconded the motion. There were five yes votes with John Holloway abstaining because of his relationship the CPI, which Brandy Panek is also involved.

8. Discussion and possible recommendation to the Town Board with regard to Chapter Three (Inventory of Agricultural, Natural, and Cultural Resources) of the multi-jurisdictional comprehensive plan for Kenosha County. The Town Board has forwarded the first two chapters to the town attorney for review and/or adjustments. John Holloway motioned to approve chapter three, with Emil Kreger seconding. Unanimous.

9. Review and discussion with regard to Chapter Four (Inventory of Existing Land Uses and Transportation Facilities and Services) of the multi-jurisdictional comprehensive plan for Kenosha County. Mark Wisnefski motioned that the information has been received. Norma Buskirk seconded. Unanimous

10. Mark Wisnefski would like the meetings to start at 7:00 p.m. in the future. The Commission agrees. Meetings will start at 7:00 beginning next month.

Mark Wisnefski motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 p.m. Norma Buskirk seconded. Unanimous

Recorded by Norma J. Buskirk