

Town of Liberty Grove
Minutes of the Plan Commission meeting on September 13, 2023

Agenda:

1. Call to order
2. Declaration of quorum
3. Adopt agenda
4. Approve Minutes: 8-23-23
5. Heartland-10 Text Amendment Language
6. Public Input
7. Correspondence
8. Future Meeting Dates
9. Adjourn

Chairman Nancy Goss called the meeting to order at 5:58pm. Commissioners Cathy Ward, Paul Bokelmann, Cheryl Culver, and Anne Miller were present with Clerk/Treasurer Anastasia Bell and 2 members of the public. Commissioners Bill Surbaugh and Dan Watts were excused.

Miller moved, Ward second to approve the agenda as posted. Carried 5-0.

Miller moved, Ward second to approve the 8/23/23 minutes as presented. Carried 5-0.

Heartland-10 – It was noted that the goal is to allow these trade and contractor establishments and marine or auto repair businesses on HL-10 parcels without additional restrictions or discouraging a home-based business once a home is built on the property. Mariah Good, Door County Zoning, noted many restrictions applied in the conditional use process are standard for a home business and the level of restriction is not the same for any of the uses identified. The Commissioners clarified their intention was to allow accessory structures to a home as currently allowed even though there would be the previously established use. Mariah noted metal structures would require a significant number of upgrades to be used by employees and/or the public. It was the consensus to allow buildings built prior to 5/3/1992 to be used consistent with County Zoning 9.03(3). Mariah noted the Resource Planning Committee may not accept the overlay as it would add complications to the current ordinance and already face staffing issues. Goss indicated text amendments are one of the only ways a Town can adjust zoning to fit the municipality and this Plan Commission works diligently to think ahead to the future as they create a request. Ward noted the only option is to make additions to the Zoning Code or to accommodate the Town as it continues to change. Mariah noted Towns can adopt local Ordinances which could be more restrictive and would apply to Town parcels in addition to the County Zoning; the Town would be responsible to have a zoning administrator for this.

Public Input – None.

Correspondence – None.

The next tentative meeting will be Wednesday, 9/26/23, 10/11/23, and 10/25/23 at 6:00pm.

Miller moved, Goss second to adjourn at 9:29pm. Carried 5-0.

Pamela Donart-Welcome, Clerk/Treasurer

Approved at the 11-8-2023 Plan Commission meeting