

TOWN OF FARMINGTON PLAN COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

PLAN COMMISSION MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2024
FARMINGTON TOWN HALL

Commission in Attendance: Dan Heidel, Paul Lash, Dr. Michael White, Mitch Fenske, Mike Raabe
Minutes Prepared by: Crystal Sbraggia
Public in Attendance: Joe Nickles, Larry Craig

CALL TO ORDER:

Dan Heidel called the meeting order at 6:56pm.

Heidel / Raabe: Motion to amend agenda. Minutes to review are from March 2024 not November 2023. **4/0/0 Passed**

Mmsp: Raabe / Lash: Motion to approve March 19,2024 Meeting Minutes. **4/0/0 Passed**

Joe Nickles | Variance Request | State Road 108 Parcel 5-63-5

Mr. Nickles was in attendance to explain his plan to build a single-family home along with a detached pole shed near the northern, most wide portion of the parcel. He explained the particular attention he is paying to the aesthetics of the shed, how it looks and its setting in comparison to the house. He also shared his desire to build a large enough shed to house all of his equipment, so that it can be stored indoors and out of sight.

For this reason, Joe is requesting a variance be granted for future construction of a shed onto Parcel 5-63-5 that is larger than what is allowed by La Crosse County Chapter 17. According to Chapter 17 Zoning Ordinance Accessory Building Table, Nickles' parcel, which measures approximately 2.5 acres, would allow for a 1,008 – 1,500 square foot shed. Joe is requesting a variance that would allow him to construct a 2,400 square foot (40x60') shed. The height of the building was discussed but according to Nickles will not exceed height restrictions.

Based on historical decisions and the current restrictions set for accessory buildings upon residential parcels, the commission did not feel comfortable recommending approval for a 2,400 square foot building. Appreciating his proactive approach to the aesthetics of his property and considering the rural nature of his parcel, the commission recommends approval of one accessory building with dimensions up to 1,800 square feet.

Mmsp: Heidel / Fenske – Motion to recommend approval for a variance to be granted for the construction of a single 1,800 square foot accessory building onto parcel 5-63-5. **4/0/0 Passed**

No public input.
No other business.

Mmsp: Lash / Raabe: Motion to Adjourn 8:03pm.