

**TOWN OF RHINE**  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, January 08, 2019 6:30 pm**

*PLEASE NOTE: This meeting is a meeting of the Town Rhine Board of Supervisors in public for the purpose of conducting the Town Rhine business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting which is indicated below.*

Present: Ron Platz, Al Feld, Jon Rost, Bill Jacob, Larry Eberle

Called to order at 6:30 pm by Ron Platz.

1. **Compliance with Open Meeting Law:** Posted on Jan. 3, 2019.

2. **Pledge:**

After the Pledge, there was a moment of silence in memory of Bonnie Stoelting.

3. **Approve minutes of December 4 and 27, 2018:**

Feld motioned to accept the minutes of December 4, 2018 as presented as read. 2nd by Jacob. All in favor. Feld made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 27, 2018 meeting to close the books as presented. 2nd by Rost. All in favor.

4. **Treasurer's Report:** Read into the record.

5. **Building Permits for December:** Read into the record.

6. **Public comments of a general nature:**

James Kurtz presented his claim of a theft of his property in 2009 and would like the board to look into it and take action. Platz indicated that he would contact the town's attorney before the issue could be taken up.

There were no other public comments.

7. **Discuss and Act on:**

**Crystal Lake Crushed Stone - update on CUP by Tom Werner:** Werner gave an update on the status of reclamation of the farm pit which was scheduled for completion by Dec. 2018. He has not been able to complete the work as of this date and would like more time to do so. The Town Board will schedule to meet him at the land in order to review the situation.

**Village of Elkhart Lake loan extension agreement:** This loan has been renegotiated at a lower interest rate and will save the town approximately \$607 per month. Feld motioned to approve the resolution to

extend the loan and to adapt the new agreement as presented. 2nd by Rost. Roll call vote: Eberle - yes. Jacob - yes. Rost - yes. Feld - yes. Platz - yes.

**Planning Commission's recommendations regarding Tom Cain proposed rezone:**

*To consider the application of Thomas and Cindy Cain of W5809 County Road EH, Elkhart Lake, WI 53020 to rezone their property at County Rd. EH and Little Elkhart Lake Rd. in Elkhart Lake, WI from A1 to A5. Parcel # is 59018252051.*

Platz gave a brief history of this request to rezone and Cain's attempt to sell all or part of the property. Cain now has a buyer who would purchase all of it, but he can't afford to buy all of it at once. He would purchase lot 3, 42.16 acres now. The other lots, 1 and 2 are smaller. He had requested a rezone on lots 1 and 2 to A5. Lot 3 would stay as is. The planning commission recommended to not approve it but to approve the proposed separation of the lot into 3 with the zoning remaining A1.

**Public Comments:**

Christa Johanson: Johanson gave a review of the 2 previous planning commission meetings. Some of the issues were complicated. She wanted to give the board her recollection of those meetings and a review of the 2 planning commission meetings regarding this. The first meeting was tabled because of a discrepancy in the current zoning of one of the lots.

Originally the owner wanted to take 3 current parcels, put them together, and then split them into 6 parcels. At the 2nd meeting, the Cains said they had a buyer for the largest lot. The remaining land would be sold later to those buyers. Christa had interviewed the Cains to be sure their request is understood. The remaining 2 chunks of land would not be buildable. At first the commission voted no to rezone the other 2 parcels and the Cains were in agreement with that. Residents who came to the meetings did not want the land to be rezoned. Technically, there was not a way to vote on the 2 smaller parcels as there was no legal parcel number and no legal description of those proposed parcels at that

Richard Whitgreve: He was at the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting. He agrees with the planning commission's decision. No other public comments.

**Town Board Consideration:**

Platz made comments on the need for survey maps and when the applicant should provide them. Since he has been on the TB, the board would take action pursuant to a certified survey map being obtained which matches the information presented to the planning commission. He feels that is a better way to work with the applicants.

In his opinion, the board has to be careful on how to handle these situations. The board has approved a number of these requests in the past. (example: Landini, Holzmann, Rosenthal) He reiterated a need to be more consistent in these decisions. An A 5 zone does not preserve farmland, but it does control building density in the township.

There were no other comments from the board.

Rost moves to reaffirm the recommendation of the planning commission. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Feld. Roll call: Eberle - yes. Jacob - yes. Rost - yes. Feld - yes. Platz - yes. Motion carried.

**Committee appointments:**

Committee assignments are updated in odd numbered years. Platz reviewed a list of temporary committee assignments to run until May of this year. Rost moves to approve as submitted. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill. No discussion. Roll call vote: Eberle - yes. Jacob - yes. Rost - yes. Feld - yes. Platz - yes. Motion carried.

**9. Chairman's Information Report and Correspondence:**

Passing of Kay Pauly's father: Noted

Gas main pipeline for Chilton, New Holstein, Kiel: Reviewed

Elkhart Lake Education Foundation letter: Platz read a thank you letter from the foundation into the record.

Celebration of life for Frank Zimmermann - Jan. 26 from 1:30 to 5:00 p.m. at Laak's Hall. Platz mentioned this event, with a recommendation to attend if possible.

**10. Sub-Committee Reports:**

Jacob: There will be a planning commission meeting tomorrow and an ordinance committee meeting this month.

Feld: Everything is going well with properties and the collection site. He reminded people to slow down when driving into the collection site.

There is a WTA meeting next Friday at Greenbush. The Humane Society will give a presentation on cat awareness.

**11. Approve Vouchers:** Motion to approve by Eberle. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Feld. All in favor.

**12. Announce Next Meeting Date:** Feb. 5, 2019

**13. Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn was made at 7:29 p.m. by Feld. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rost. All in favor.

APPROVED