

**VILLAGE OF TURTLE LAKE
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
JANUARY 10, 2011**

Call to Order: Village President and Commission Chair Laurie Tarman called to order the meeting of the Turtle Lake Planning Commission at 5:07 p.m. on Monday, January 10, 2011.

Roll Call: Those present were as follows: Laurie Tarman, Carl Kleinschmidt, Cory Davis, Ken Mandley, Andy Koenig, and Dennis Becker. Absent: Sue Friday. Others present: Clerk Danielle Maxwell-Parker, Police Chief Al Gabe, Sheryl Clafin of SEH, and Rick Phillips, business owner.

Review of Agenda: It was moved by Becker and seconded by Mandley to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll call vote: Yeas – all present. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

Discussion & Consideration of US Hwy. 8 Study by WI Department of Transportation – Tarman described that the Wisconsin Department of Transportation held two Project Advisory Committee meetings to gain input from representatives of impacted communities in October and December 2010. Maxwell-Parker, Gabe and Davis were present at both meetings, while Tarman and Mandley were in attendance at the first meeting only. The individuals in attendance described what was discussed at the PAC meetings. Maxwell-Parker displayed the four alternatives that WI DOT considered; it was stated that the Department determined that they should no longer consider the “on alignment” or “through town” alternative due to feedback from the PAC meetings.

Kleinschmidt provided information regarding past Hwy. 8 meetings. Rick Phillips expressed his concerns and asked questions regarding the Village’s position and impact to Turtle Lake, the Village and outlying area. Sheryl Clafin offered information regarding other communities and their impact and dilemmas with location of highways and interchanges. There was lengthy discussion of the pros and cons of the various routes as presented by the Department, the type of landscape that would be disturbed, the acreage it would involve, accessibility for the Village to supply infrastructure to potential development, and location of current and new infrastructure. The group came to a general consensus regarding what alternative had the least amount of negative impact to the Village and most beneficial prospects. It was noted that the northern route and the short south route had the same number of potential residential relocations, in the amount of eleven.

It was moved by Becker and seconded by Kleinschmidt to recommend to the Village Board that Alternative #1 - Short South Bypass would be the most beneficial route for US Hwy. 8 as it would accommodate future growth of the Village.

Roll call vote: Yeas – all present. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Consideration to allow access to Turtle Lake Water & Sewer by Grace Community Church –

Mandley excused himself from the Commission as a member and presented to the Commission on behalf of Grace Community Church, where he is the pastor. The Church plans to commence construction in the spring of 2011 at their property located south of Cemetery Road and east of Highway 63 South. Mandley described his concerns regarding accessing water and septic issues. He expressed that the Church’s desire to tie into the Village’s water and sewer as it is so close to their property, across Cemetery Road and their building would in view of the new water tower. Public Works Director and Commission member Cory Davis explained the Village’s plans in regards to servicing the new industrial park and its businesses. He explained that it would be ideal for the Village to loop sewer and water by following the perimeter of the park. This option would involve

installing lines down Cemetery Road toward Hwy. 63, running them north and tying them back east to existing lines. There was discussion in regards to the Church's property is not located within the Village limits. Davis shared the statute that allows utilities to provide service to outlying properties. Mandley expressed that if annexation is necessary, the Church would like to annex into the Village of Turtle Lake; Clerk Maxwell-Parker confirmed that when Mandley requested to be added to the Commission's agenda he initiated the request to annex into the Village.

There was discussion of the Digester and need to reconstruct Cemetery Road to accommodate truck traffic. It was noted that the Town of Beaver posted weight limits on their side of the road. It was determined by the Commission to have figures from engineers presented to the Village Board.

It was moved by Kleinschmidt and seconded by Tarman to recommend to the Village Board to extension of services with review of costs from engineers.

Roll call vote: Yeas – all present. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Adjournment: It was moved by Becker and seconded by Davis to adjourn the meeting at 6:27 p.m.

Roll call vote: Yeas – all present. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Prepared by:
Danielle E. Maxwell-Parker
Village Clerk