

MARQUETTE COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

January 4, 2023

County Board Room – Services Center

In person and virtual meeting

Members present: Al Rosenthal (virtually), David Krentz, Gayle Mack

Members excused: Dennis Fenner, Jon Vote

Others present: Tom Onofrey, Jean Patter, Bette Krueger

Virtually: Corporation Counsel Natalie Bussan, Candice Menke, Jim Brossman, Scott Hewitt; Attorney Tracy Waldinger, Robert and Krystyna Brown.

Chair called the meeting to order and asked for a motion to approve the agenda; motion by Mack, second by Krentz; motion carried. Chair asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting; motion by Mack, second by Krentz; motion carried.

Chair opened item 3: Citizens comments or concerns: None.

Chair opened item 4: Committee action on Ryan Menke – Town of Westfield rezone application. Onofrey explained that this matter has been sent to the County Board two times and the County Board has sent it back to the committee with direction to draft an ordinance approving the request. Bussan explained that the committee must approve this rezone. Motion by Krentz to draft an ordinance approving the request and move it onto the County Board; second by Mack; motion carried. Individuals speaking against the approval were Jim Brossman, Attorney Tracy Waldinger (representing Mr. and Mrs. Brown). Onofrey added that the Board of Adjustment hearing on this matter will be Thursday, January 26.

Chair opened item 5: A public hearing on an application by Norland Farms LLC, N570 6th Court, Endeavor WI 53930 for a rezoning of part of the NW ¼ - SW ¼ and the SE ¼ - SW 1/4, Section 25 and part of the NE ¼ - NW ¼, Section 36, T14N, R8E, Town of Moundville, containing 40 acres, more or less, from Prime Agriculture (AG-1) with two acres of the NW ¼ - SW ¼, Section 25 rezoned to AG-3(2) and 38 acres in the SE ¼ - SW 1/4, Section 25 and in the NE ¼ - NW ¼, Section 36, rezoned to the FPO District.

Onofrey explained that there is an existing home that is going to be razed and a new home built on the two acres; the Town of Moundville board approved the same. Motion by Mack to approve the rezone and move onto the County Board; second by Krentz; motion carried.

Chair opened item 6: Consideration of recommendation to the County Board on advisory resolution to Wisconsin State Legislature regarding State/County split of Register of Deeds transfer tax fee monies. Krueger explained on every sale there is a transfer tax paid of \$3/\$1000 value. Beginning in 1969, 50% of all transfer tax fees collected remained at the

county level. In 1982 the State changed the formula to require counties to remit 80% of transfer tax fees collected to the State. Several counties have passed an advisory resolution requesting that the State enact legislation that would return the transfer tax fee sharing formula to a 50/50 state-county split. Krueger compared the amount of transfer tax fees that would have stayed at the county level had it been a 50/50 split from 2017 through 2021; the amount of additional revenue retained by the county would have been approximately \$252,800. Motion by Mack to have the County Board do an advisory resolution to the Wisconsin State Legislature to enact legislation that would return the formula to the 50/50 split; second by Krentz; motion carried.

Chair opened item 7: Discussion and decision on Register of Deeds software from GCS to Fidar. Krueger explained that the current software program that was in place when she began (GCS) has only one other ROD in the state using the same program. A company (Fidar) that is widely used not only in Wisconsin but in other states, provided Krueger with a quote for transitioning to Fidar, along with providing a free demonstration on the program, training, support after the transition, etc. After discussion, motion by Mack to proceed with the transition from GCS to Fidar; second by Krentz; motion carried.

Chair opened item 8: Register of Deeds report: Krueger reviewed year to date and year end numbers.

Chair opened item 9: Director report: Onofrey reviewed end of 2022 revenue and permit numbers. Onofrey discussed other software changes in the Planning and Zoning Office, Treasurer and Register of Deeds. Onofrey discussed Board of Adjustment conditions for Metta property on Hwy 22.

Chair opened item 10: Zoning Technician report: Potter reviewed violations, updated applications forms, credit card/electronic check processing now available and annual/seasonal camping letters were processed.

Chair opened item 11: Review PZLID and ROD vouchers; no action required.

Chair adjourned the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bette Krueger