

November 9, 2005

Conference Meeting Room

The Zoning Committee meeting was called to order at 9:07 AM by Chairman Werner. Present were John Werner, Mary Haider, George Southworth, Larry Peterson and Sue Noland. Also present were Terry Cummings, Art & Shirley Poyda, Deb Poyda, Gary Ellenbecker, Harry Frosch, Dave Lemke, Randy Runge, and Doug Etten (Star News) for portions of the meeting.

First Order of Business - Motion by Southworth to approve the minutes of the August 18, 2005 meeting as mailed, seconded by Haider. Motion carried.

Second Order of Business – A summary of the bills that have been paid since the August 18th meeting was reviewed. Motion by Southworth to approve bills, seconded by Haider. Motion carried.

Third Order of Business – Administrator gave an update on Land Use Planning. So far numerous meetings have been held. We will not be applying for a State grant since only 5 municipalities showed an interest in working with the County and it is likely we would not receive any funds. A LUAC meeting will be held on November 15th to start the planning phase. We may also be able to go with a “cafeteria plan”, since no State money is involved. A decision will need to be made on whether interested municipalities can also join with the County if feasible. The planning process would take 2-3 years to complete. A significant amount of time of the Zoning office staff and Extension will be used assisting with completion of the plan.

Fourth Order of Business – The 2006 outcome from Budget Review was discussed. All expense accounts were approved as submitted. Budget Review increased the revenue of Sanitary and Zoning permits from \$11,000 to \$15,000. The Quad, CSM, UCAS revenue was increased from \$1000 to \$2500.

The Budget Review Committee also stated we should look at increasing our sanitary permit fees if needed due to increasing the revenues. We will discuss this at a future meeting again, once we do a surrounding county comparison.

Fifth Order of Business – Administrator reported a grant was submitted to the DNR to assist with clean-up of the Dombrowski Brownfield site in Gilman. We are asking for a \$25,000 grant with the County share being \$5000. Assistance was also requested through PECFA for clean-up of petroleum products in the ground. For PECFA, we would pay costs first and then ask for reimbursement. If costs are less than \$60,000 the State does not need to put the project out on bid. The County would only be responsible for clean-up to the property line, no further. The building will be destroyed and removed as part of the clean-up.

Sixth Order of Business – Floodplain Zoning for Bradow & Clear Lake Dams was discussed. Present were Terry Cummings, Art & Shirley Poyda, Deb Poyda, Harry Frosch, Dave Lemke, Randy Runge, Gary Ellenbecker, and Doug Etten. Terry Cummings, DNR Water Management Engineer was present to discuss and answer questions. Mr. Cummings stated Codes and Statutes state dams have hazard ratings. These 2 have high hazard ratings as long as land below is unzoned for building. These 2 dam owners (Lake Association and Peterson) have responsibility for the dams.

Cummings stated this has never happened before where all the steps have been taken and the Zoning Committee doesn't adopt the floodplain zoning. The dam owners have requested

that dams go from high to low hazard rating. The Floodplain code is for property protection, health and safety.

The Zoning Administrator asked what impact is made on structures if no floodplain zoning is adopted? Bradow now has a high hazard rating and if zoned then would change to a low hazard rating.

Clear Lake currently has high hazard rating capacity, so is ok.

Dave Lemke reported Jim Peterson would do whatever needs to be done on Bradow.

Zoning Administrator asked for clarification of an island (based upon where Runge land is). Area would be an island unless Emergency Vehicles can still go through the road if flooded. To go from High to Low hazard rating you need a larger spillway capacity so you can allow more water to go through dam rather than overtop.

Cummings stated dams are inspected every 10 years for a safety inspection and certain criteria have to be met to keep the dam operational.

Zoning Administrator asked what ramifications would occur if the County did not adopt Floodplain Zoning. Cummings stated he would first talk to dam owners and inform them of high hazard rating. Then he would work with Emergency Action personnel to try to work out locally. As a last resort the Administrative Code would be enforced by the DNR and adopted for the County.

The County would be responsible to pay all fees involved which would be much higher than if it were completed initially by the County.

The concerns that need to be addressed to satisfy the landowners is the island status for Runge and for Poyda there are numerous concerns that may never be totally satisfied.

Since we were going in circles, Chairman Werner stated we will table this issue till next meeting when everyone can think it through some more.

Cummings stated he will allow one (1) year from today to adopt Floodplain Zoning for the 2 dams or the State will adopt ordinance for the County.

Cummings, Poydas, Runge and Lemke were going to visit the site after they left the meeting.

Seventh Order of Business – Building statistics as of November 8th were reviewed.

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Sanitary	131	156
Zoning	43	47
CSM	55	75

Eighth Order of Business – A study was passed out regarding the pending retirement of numerous Baby Boomer Zoning office personnel statewide. Studies show that not enough qualified persons are entering the work force after completing training in a specialized area. Therefore Universities are creating new courses for resource management. This was for information only.

Next meeting will be at the call of Chairman. Motion by Southworth and seconded by Haider to adjourn at 11:10 AM. Motion carried.

Lawrence G. Peterson, Zoning Administrator

August 18, 2005

The Zoning Committee meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Chairman Werner. Present were John Werner, Mary Haider, George Southworth, Larry Peterson and Sue Noland. Also present for a portion of the meeting were Art & Shirley Poyda, Jim & Deb Poyda, Randy Runge, Bruce Strama and Luke Klink (Star News).

First Order of Business - Motion by Southworth to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2005 meeting as mailed, seconded by Haider. Motion carried.

Second Order of Business – A summary of the bills that have been paid since the May 19th meeting and Administrator mileage from January to August was reviewed. Motion by Haider to approve bills, seconded by Southworth. Motion carried.

Third Order of Business – Administrator received letter from the Town of Hammel requesting information of who we received the directive from to classify land in Hammel as floodplain. Zoning Administrator responded that a letter dated January 5, 2005 from the DNR indicates County has to place land use zoning within the flood shadow. Administrator further stated Clear Lake dam has a high hazard spillway capacity, but the Bradow dam would have to be upgraded to provide high hazard spillway capacity. Floodplain zoning is needed to downgrade to a Significant Rating.

Member George Southworth stated he feels the people affected should not be jeopardized for the dam structures.

Some questions posed were:

- ⚡ Hazardous chemicals within a floodplain? (Fuzzy's gas tanks)
- ⚡ Is Runge property considered an island? (Not an island if have a way to get out)
- ⚡ Would Clear Lake empty completely?
- ⚡ What are the different categories for the ratings?
- ⚡ What happens if floodplain zoning is not passed?

Administrator reminded everyone present that at the last meeting the landowners and Lake Association were to meet and come up with some resolutions. We have not received any input from such discussions.

Mr. Werner stated the structure has been okay for the last 100 years, but the Zoning Committee has the power to make the final decision.

Motion by Southworth that floodplain area be left as is. During discussion, Zoning Administrator asked to have Terry Cummings, adjacent landowners and Lake Association come to Zoning Committee meeting to discuss the situation. The original motion was seconded by Haider. Motion carried. (Joint meeting will not occur due to motion passed.) Administrator will talk to Cummings and see what ramifications would be.

Fourth Order of Business – 2006 Budgets: Committee reviewed Revenue accounts for Wisconsin Fund, UCAS/CSM/Quad, Zoning office copies and Expense accounts for Zoning Administrator, Land Use Planning Advisory Committee, Non-metallic Mining, Uniform County Address System, and Tax Deed Lands Clean-Up. Motion by Southworth, second by Haider, to approve and present proposed 2006 budgets to Budget Review Committee. Motion carried.

Fifth Order of Business – Administrator reported the newly proposed gravel pit is licensed. The Pawelko Pit has started crushing this week. Jim Flood went out to GPS the pit but there was too much activity so he was not able to do it. He will GPS at a later date.

Sixth Order of Business – Zoning Administrator reported on possible meeting for the Land Use Advisory Committee (LUAC). It was felt a meeting of the Committee should be held and then possibly contact the Town Chairmen to see if they are interested in working with the County on a plan. This meeting may be scheduled for early September.

Seventh Order of Business – Farmland Preservation Transfer was reviewed for Lassa to Zimmerman in Rib Lake and miscellaneous file for Ness in Rib Lake. This is for information only. No action necessary.

Next meeting will be at the call of the Chairman. Motion by Haider and seconded by Southworth to adjourn at 10:05 AM. Motion carried.

Lawrence G. Peterson, Zoning Administrator

May 19, 2005

The Zoning Committee meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Chairman Werner. Present were John Werner, Mary Haider, George Southworth, Larry Peterson and Sue Noland. Also present were Art & Shirley Poyda, Dave Lemke, Jim & Deb Poyda and Randy Runge.

First Order of Business - Motion by Southworth to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2005 meeting and the Floodplain Zoning Public Hearing as mailed, seconded by Haider. Motion carried.

Second Order of Business – A summary of the bills that have been paid since the April 21st meeting was reviewed. Motion by Southworth to approve the listing, seconded by Haider. Motion carried.

Third Order of Business – Administrator reported on the public hearing conducted for the Bradow and Clear Lake Dams on April 21st. Maps were reviewed and there were questions that were asked and answered. Present at today's meeting were Dave Lemke, Art and Shirley Poyda, Jim & Deb Poyda and Randy Runge. Dave Lemke reported on the Clear Lake structure being upgraded several years ago.

Currently the only structure within the flood shadow is Fuzzy's Store. The parties present had concerns with some of the buildings being an "island" if the dams should break. Mr. Runge asked for written statement saying the shadow area does not constitute an island for Runge house. The residents present were asking to have an area raised to alleviate the floodplain for Fuzzy's Store.

Motion by Southworth, second by Haider, to table until more information is gathered. Motion carried. The Lake Association and landowners should get together and try to come up with some resolutions.

Want: more clarification of island, have engineer at next meeting and notify landowners.

Fourth Order of Business – The proposed Hales Subdivision was initially reviewed last fall by Committee. There were some stipulations that needed to be finalized before final approval. The Committee had no objection for zoning administrator to sign when completed all stipulations.

Fifth Order of Business – Zoning Administrator reported on new Land Use Advisory Committee (LUAC) members that have been appointed to discuss/deal with land use issues. The State Joint Finance has put Smart Growth funds on hold, but this needs to go to the Assembly and send to the Governor. A possible meeting date for LUAC was discussed. Mr. Werner directed Zoning Administrator to set up a meeting and start discussing this issue to see how members feel about progressing and what course of action to take. We will start by notifying each member of current status of funds and overall program.

Sixth Order of Business – Administrator reported Haas Sons Inc is proposing a new gravel pit on the Pawelko property in Jump River on Bridge Drive. We have received the application, reclamation plan, and map and will be publishing the written notice for comment.

Seventh Order of Business – A Resolution on Supporting State Efforts to Address the Non-Native Aquatic Invasive Species Program was discussed. This resolution would help control this problem. Motion by Southworth, second by Haider, to approve resolution.

Motion carried. This will be forwarded to the Land Conservation Committee and County Board.

Next meeting will be at the call of the Chairman. Motion by Haider and seconded by Southworth to adjourn at 10:00 AM. Motion carried.

Lawrence G. Peterson, Zoning Administrator

April 21, 2005 - Public Hearing

Floodplain Zoning for Clear Lake Dam & Bradow Dam Hammel Town Hall

The hearing was called to order at 8:00 PM by Zoning Administrator Larry Peterson with 10 individuals present. In attendance were Dave Lemke representing Clear Lake Dam, Bob Fales representing Peterson's for Bradow Dam, Harold Brandt, Lori Brandt, Shirley Poyda, Art Poyda, Jim Millikin, Michele Matyka, Justin Grant, Harry Frosch, and Administrator Peterson and Sue Noland, Administrative Assistant.

The purpose of the public hearing is to gather information on the impact of floodplain zoning on property and citizens below the Clear Lake and Bradow Dams. The reason for the zoning is to lower the hazard rating of both structures. Currently, both are high hazard and can lower hazard by developing floodplain zoning. Currently there is no zoning. We are seeking comments and questions to present to the Zoning Committee and eventually to the County Board for action.

Administrator asked what modifications have already been done on Clear Lake Dam. Lemke stated the structure was re-engineered and widened on top (dike to 12' top). Cooper Engineering set up the work. The modifications are similar to the existing structure but added an overflow and widened the dike.

The Clear Lake Dam is in compliance except for needing one (1) soil boring through structure down to the native soil to check the stability of the structure. Bradow Dam needs:

- ⚡ Lower 1' on stop logs
- ⚡ Do grading on Emergency spillway
- ⚡ Stability analysis - 1 boring

Floodplain Zoning would restrict habitable structures. Some out buildings could be allowed. The main concern is if the dam structures should go out, life is not lost. The prepared flood shadow map indicates that it would be more significant if the Clear Lake Dam broke vs. the Bradow Dam. With floodplain zoning in place, Clear Lake Dam would have a significant hazard rating and Bradow Dam would be low hazard.

Questions: Art Poyda - If a structure should go out who would be the responsible party & compensate property owner if a building was lost?

Harry Frosch commented that the culvert on Perkinstown Avenue is bigger than the one on CTH E. Dave Lemke indicated that the Highway Commissioner checked this out and said it was suitable. Administrator stated the DNR does a thorough inspection of each dam every 10 years. Recommendations are made for any repairs or corrections needed. Butch Brandt said the Clear Lake Dam is inspected 3 times a year during the summer. It was unknown what the schedule for Maintenance of the Bradow Dam is and who does it. Administrator Peterson asked for this to be clarified.

Administrator stated you can not put a habitable structure in a flood area and you can not fill. You can conduct agriculture activity, hunting, fishing, crop, hiking, berry picking, etc. The area is zoned and set aside for only permitted activities.

Currently there are 4 dams/areas regulated in Taylor County by floodplain zoning. If structures are not brought up to standards, you can be forced to abandon and take out the structure. This would have a big affect to the properties on the lake.

Bottomline is the DNR report says no structures are significantly affected. Fuzzy's Store would be affected most, but there should not be any water in the store but it could be up to the door.

The hearing adjourned at 8:40 PM. People remained and looked further at the maps pertaining to their respective property. Everyone departed by 9 PM.

Susan Noland, Administrative Assistant

NOTE: A complete taping of the public hearing is available in the Zoning Office.

April 21, 2005

County Board Room

The Zoning Committee meeting was called to order at 9:10 AM by Chairman Werner. Present were John Werner, Mary Haider, Larry Peterson and Sue Noland. Also present was Brian Wilson (Star News). George Southworth was absent (funeral).

First Order of Business - Motion by Haider to approve the minutes of the February 17, 2005 meeting as mailed, seconded by Werner. Motion carried.

Second Order of Business – A summary of the bills that have been paid since the February 17th meeting were reviewed. Motion by Haider to approve the listing, seconded by Werner. Motion carried.

Third Order of Business – The 2004 Annual Report of the Zoning Office was reviewed. Administrator went over the hi-lites and major changes. Motion by Haider to approve and distribute to other County Board boxes, seconded by Werner. Motion carried.

Fourth Order of Business – The DNR Non-Metallic Mining Specialist visited our office and did a mini-audit/program overview. Mr. Markart reported our non-metallic mining program is excellent. He did suggest we raise our current bonding for pit reclamation. We may address this in the future.

Fifth Order of Business – Peterson discussed the Floodplain Zoning for Clear Lake and Bradow Dams. Maps showing flooding if there is ever a dam failure were reviewed. The Clear Lake Dam is in good shape. The Bradow Dam is in need of some work on emergency spillway. The flood shadow as shown on dam break map restricts any structures in area below Bradow Dam.

A Public Hearing will be conducted tonight, April 21st to discuss this issue and see what concerns the property owners have. Each of the 2 dam structures have an Emergency Action Plan and Maintenance Plan. It is up to the Committee members if they wish to attend. The results will be brought back to the Committee for approval and forwarded to the County Board for action.

Sixth Order of Business – Administrator reported on the Hales Major Subdivision. There have recently been some problems with one of the adjacent landowners from what was initially proposed. If the problems cannot be remedied, the plat will have to go back to Zoning for approval and also State Department of Administration for revision.

Seventh Order of Business – Tentative funding sources for a County Smart Growth Plan was discussed. We have \$30,000 in budget for 2005 and approximately \$27,000 carry-over from 2004. Also discussed was the possibility of using the funding from the Arrowhead to Weston Power Line. If and when some of the money comes available, we would like Taylor County's portion to be used for offsetting some of the Smart Growth costs.

Eighth Order of Business - The revised member listing for the Land Use Advisory Committee (LUAC) was reviewed. A County Smart Growth Plan needs to be in effect by 2010 and we estimate a time of at least 3 years to complete. A LUAC meeting will be scheduled as soon as Committee appointments are finalized to discuss the planning process. Administrator reported a workshop will be held on May 17th dealing with Land Use Laws if anyone is interested in going.

Ninth Order of Business – The proposed changes to Chapter 32, Sanitary Code, Taylor County Code was reviewed. Administrator went through all the new modifications that are being proposed. Also reviewed was one amendment to Chapter 70. Motion by Haider to approve Chapter 32 and Chapter 70 Amendments and forward to County Board for approval, seconded by Werner. Motion carried.

Tenth Order of Business – Farmland Preservation Agreement transfer from VanHecker to Seymour and relinquishments for Rasner, Seymour and VanHecker were reviewed. This was for information only. No action necessary.

Next meeting will be May 19th at 9:00 AM. Motion by Haider and seconded by Werner to adjourn at 10:20 AM. Motion carried.

Lawrence G. Peterson, Zoning Administrator

February 17, 2005

County Board Room

The Zoning Committee meeting was called to order at 9:04 AM by Chairman Werner. Present were John Werner, George Southworth, Mary Haider, Larry Peterson and Sue Noland. Also present were Tom Panetti, Al Beadles, Kathy Olynick, Steve Sletner (TEC) and Brian Wilson (Star News) for a portion of the meeting.

First Order of Business - Motion by Southworth to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2004 meeting as mailed and the February 16, 2005 Special Zoning Committee Meeting seconded by Haider. Motion carried.

Second Order of Business – A summary of the bills that have been paid since the December 16th meeting were reviewed. Motion by Southworth to approve, seconded by Haider. Motion carried.

Third Order of Business – Building statistics for Year-End 2004 were reviewed.

	2004	2003	2002
Sanitary	177	184	141
Zoning	49	52	40
CSM	83	73	66

Overall, building activity over the last 2 years has been very high. Don't know what the trend will be in 2005. So far, it has been a slow start.

Fourth Order of Business – The Billboard Ordinance was discussed. Southworth stated that with the vote being so close, we should not forget about a billboard ordinance. We will keep up with it and if the need arises we can re-present proposals.

Fifth Order of Business – Peterson updated on Hales Major Subdivision by South Harper Lake. We are still waiting for State approval. We can not proceed until the State takes action. The State and the County did waive the Stormwater requirement due to access road not being 1 acre.

Sixth Order of Business – The Department of Commerce audit was discussed. The State Private Sewage Consultant did an audit of our Sanitary program. We have not received the written report yet, but his exit summary indicated no major problems.

The Zoning Administrator also reported we are continuing to revise our current Sanitary Code and will bring to the Committee for review when completed.

Seventh Order of Business– Administrator reported the current GPS unit was purchased 10 years ago. We use the unit to determine the acreage of gravel pits from year to year. We are starting to experience some problems with the unit. A new unit would cost approximately \$7700 but the cost would be split as the unit will be shared with the Forestry Department. One half of the unit cost for Zoning will be \$3850. Motion by Haider and seconded by Southworth to purchase unit and share with Forestry Department. Motion carried.

Eighth Order of Business- The Administrator reported on Floodplain Zoning. Currently we have 4 areas in Taylor County that have floodplain zoning. This ensures people build out of area in case the dam were to break. All other waterways in the County for floodplain are

used with a HUD map. The DNR is requesting we revise our ordinance to adopt their model ordinance changes. Zoning Administrator is working with the DNR to see if we need to comply. Motion by Southworth and seconded by Haider to table until further information is obtained. Motion carried.

Ninth Order of Business – Smart Growth funding was pursued a couple years ago with final outcome being the County Board declining the partial grant award.

Zoning Administrator reported a plan needs to be implemented by all Towns and County by 2010, if no plan, you can not enforce Zoning laws. We have been building funds each year to start a plan. Currently there is approximately \$57,000 set aside. The County share was approximately \$108,000 when bid out in 2000. There also needs to be some changes to the Land Use Advisory Committee (LUAC) due to a few of the members requesting to be removed from Committee. We will need to present names to the County Board Chairman for him approve.

Mr. Southworth requested to have the name changed from Smart Growth due to that wording being a "turn-off" to many people.

Chairman Werner said we can organize a meeting once the new appointees have been made. LUAC needs to set a course of action to begin evaluating courses of action to insure County plan completed by 2010.

Tenth Order of Business – Farmland Preservation. Miscellaneous files for Jeremy Goebel and John Goebel both in Aurora. For information only. No action necessary.

Eleventh Order of Business – Discuss outcome of Public Hearing on January 25th from Olynick (Brooks Pit). (9:45 AM) Present were Tom Panetti, Al Beadles, Kathy Olynick, Steve Sletner (TEC) and Brian Wilson (Star News).

A public hearing was conducted with 33 individuals present to discuss the operations of a proposed pit in Jump River. The hearing minutes were previously given to Zoning Committee members for review. At the end of the public hearing the Zoning Administrator determined the Reclamation Plan had no impact on groundwater or the Jump River. Therefore, application was approved. The Town of Jump River does not have any zoning therefore can not deny the request for a pit.

Steve Sletner (President TEC Design), engineer for Olynick, gave background information He explained neighbor location, cemetery location, Village location, road locations, the Jump River, no washing at pit, no hauling during a funeral at the nearby cemetery, no blasting, and adequate sight distance when entering onto Hwy 73. Al Beadles addressed issues he discussed with DOT Representative Tom Beckman, such as there will be truck entrance signage and acceleration lanes from Nebo.

Peterson reviewed Conditions of Permit from the Public Hearing:

- ✚ Hours of operation
- ✚ Interim reclamation
- ✚ Road maintenance
- ✚ No runoff North to Jump River basin
- ✚ Stay 5' minimum above groundwater elevation
- ✚ Relay tower
- ✚ Runoff stays in pit
- ✚ Work with DOT on Nebo/Hwy 73 approach

(Refer to more detailed information in Public Hearing minutes dated January 25 held at the Jump River Community Center.)

Tom Panetti referred to an article in December 23, 2004 Star News. He agrees with progress in town but doesn't agree with what is being done. He did not feel the hearing in Jump River went well. Felt the highway situation is not good. He has concerns about the sound carrying like an outdoor amphitheater. Concerned about the veterans buried in cemetery that they lie in peace and tranquility. Says DOT is concerned with the speed limits in the Jump River area and roads are being pounded by gravel trucks and logging trucks. Felt the reclamation was not adequately addressed by engineer.

Chairman Werner stated we can not deal with road and town issues. We deal only with groundwater and reclamation issues and these matters have been addressed.

Al Beadles replied that the State of Wisconsin is a very industrial state. Jump River is a progressive community with 6 new homes in 2004 and only having a population of 309. Farming and logging run around the clock. As a County Board Representative he wants to see what happens in the East side of the County also happens in the West side. Mr. Beadles is opposed to the hours being limited to daylight hours, as no one is limited during harvest time to stop production at 9 o'clock at night. He asked to not put a limit on Jump River that would not be put on the City.

Panetti replied "There is a difference between City vs. Town and big city vs. small government".

After all discussion, the Zoning Administrator asked for approval or disapproval of Conditions with amendment of hours limited to daylight only for crushing.

No crushing on Saturday/Sunday. Kathy Olynick said no operations on Sundays.

Panetti asked for limit of 5 years in the pit, not 10 - 15 years. Stated he is in favor of Smart Growth so there could be some control.

Sletner indicated even though the life of pit is 10-15 years, the County reviews and permits annually and problems will be addressed annually. Reclamation will be done properly due to pit being bonded.

Based on information heard and with amendments, motion by Southworth and seconded by Haider to accept approval of Olynick-Brooks Pit. Motion carried.

Motion by Haider and seconded by Southworth to adjourn at 10:40 AM. Motion carried.

Lawrence G. Peterson, Zoning Administrator

February 16, 2005

"Special Meeting"

The Zoning Committee meeting was called to order at 9:45 AM by Chairman Werner. Present were John Werner, George Southworth, Mary Haider, Larry Peterson and Sue Noland.

The purpose of the meeting was to review/discuss/approve a Resolution to Regulate Billboards.

There have been numerous requests to have some regulation on billboards. The State does regulate signs from the highway right-of-way to the center of road.

With this resolution we are asking direction from the County Board whether to regulate billboards before an inordinate amount of time and money is wasted.

Motion by Mary Haider and second by George Southworth, to approve the billboard resolution and present to the County Board. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:52 AM.

Lawrence G. Peterson, Zoning Administrator

January 25 - Public Hearing

The hearing was called to order at 7:30 PM by Zoning Administrator Larry Peterson with 33 individuals present. Also in attendance were Deputy Synol and Administrative Assistant Noland.

Peterson gave introductions, reported where the public notice had been posted, where packets of information were distributed, and who received official notices.

Peterson continued with details about the pit. The proposed pit is located on the Marie Brooks property, is initially proposed to be 12 acres in size, is anticipated to be licensed for 10-15 years based on demand, would be approximately 55' deep and 5' above groundwater in that area.

Peterson also gave an overview of the comments/concerns that were received from the public, ie. Runoff, erosion, wildlife, noise, water veins, road damage, hours of operation, environmental damage, intersection improvements, property values, and tower on property.

Peterson reported that this public hearing is conducted for the purpose of discussing Reclamation concerns, not the actual pit operation. Reclamation is what the pit will look like when it is done. The site is proposed to be a seeded meadow. Peterson continued stating issues such as noise, traffic, etc. are matters to be dealt with through Town Zoning which there is none. Currently Taylor County only has Shoreland Zoning (the proposed Smart Growth zoning was not approved which would have dealt with some of these issues).

Steve Sletner, Olynick's Engineer from TEC Design, also gave some background information. There would be no blasting in the proposed pit as it is a sand and gravel operation. The bottom would be landscaped with topsoil. The bottom of the pit elevation would be approx 1250'. The river elevation is 1160', therefore pit would be about 90' above the river.

Peterson discussed Conditions of Permit if issued:

- **Hours of operation***: daylight hours 5 days/week (Sletner indicated the anticipated excavation would be approx 20,000 yards/year, which equates up to 2 weeks/year)
- Interim Reclamation will be required while pit is being worked in (means must slope and "clean-up" as progress in pit)
- Road maintenance agreement with Town (Agreement has been signed between Olynick and Jump River Board stating that Olynick is responsible for road damage caused to road bed on Nebo Ave by their equipment/trucks AND no road bans posted on Nebo from pit entrance easterly to Hwy 73)
- No runoff North to the Jump River basin
- Stay 5' minimum above groundwater elevation
- Relay tower on property needs to be addressed when that area of the pit is reached
- All runoff from pit operations stay in pit area (storm water discharge would infiltrate back into pit floor)

- Work with DOT on South approach from Nebo on Hwy 73 (TEC Design conducted a demonstration by setting a coffee mug at the Nebo/73 intersection and by backing up in their pickup truck were able to go 500' before they lost sight of the coffee mug. With a gravel truck at intersection the distance would become much greater.

It was reported that there should be some improvements/signage with DOT this summer south of Nebo.

PUBLIC COMMENT Registrants:

- ✚ Monica Pawelko: which way will road traffic go? If empty either way, but if full to the East on Nebo to Hwy 73.
- ✚ Tom Panetti: doesn't like where berms and piles are located due to noise direction flow, doesn't like exits, entrance, hours of operation (recommend 3 years), hours of crushing (wants limited to 7AM – 5PM), fugitive dust into town, bridge proposed to be replaced in the future, address speed zones/bumps, and What is Success Strategy of Jump River?
- ✚ Marcie Panetti: major concerns about the cemetery and feels there is no respect for town in general.
- ✚ 4 other individuals which signed up to give testimony had their questions already answered in the beginning presentation.

At this time, Town Chair Al Beadles reported that the town board had reviewed the plans, he has talked to the DOT Rep regarding road issues, and he talked to Olynick. Sletner also indicated (in regards to the cemetery) that if a funeral is going on, Olynick will not haul while funeral is being held.

In general questions that were asked, a concern was brought out about an existing pit SW of proposed area. This pit was "grandfathered" as an existing pit and Delores Olynick did more than was expected at that time for Reclamation.

Mr. Pawelko asked how far the pit was from the Jump River? It is approximately 500'. He also talked about an Insurance Policy for wells that was done by a pit in Marshfield. It was reported that this is a formality when blasting in a pit.

Question as to the minimum area required to operate? Answer was 5 acres.

Mr. Panetti also brought out concerns about spills, broken hydraulic hoses, etc. Sletner indicated Olynick is required to report the following to the DNR or have plans in operation: spills are reported, spill prevention plan in effect, spills are picked up and taken to asphalt plant for burning, fugitive dust plan required, storm water management plan, and fuel forms completed for each pit.

Peterson closed in saying extensive deposits of gravel are in the area so this likely is not the last proposed pit. Gravel is a very necessary resource for roads and home building. Peterson will make decision based on Public Comments. His decision is appealable to the Zoning Committee which meets on February 17.

Therefore based on negligible impact on groundwater and negligible impact on the Jump River, the application will be approved. If anyone still has concerns and wants to address the Zoning Committee should contact our office.

Hearing adjourned at 9:10 PM

Lawrence G. Peterson
Zoning Administrator

NOTE: A complete taping of the public hearing is available in the Zoning Office.

*Hours of operation for crushing. Modified at Zoning Committee Meeting on 2-17-05