

DECEMBER 29, 2009 SPECIAL SESSION  
OF THE  
WALWORTH COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
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The Walworth County Board ~~Committee of the Whole~~ meeting was called to order by Chair Russell at 5:00 p.m. at the Government Center, 100 W. Walworth Street, Elkhorn, Wisconsin.

**Roll Call**

Roll call was conducted: Supervisors Present: 9 - F. Mark Bromley, Vice-Chair Jerry A. Grant, Claudia J. Holst, Kathy Ingersoll, Joe Schaefer, Rick Stacey, Jim Van Dreser, David A. Weber, and Chair Nancy Russell; Supervisors Absent: 2 – Randy A. Hawkins, Daniel G. Kilkenny.

**Withdrawals from Agenda, if any**

**Approval of the Agenda**

On motion by Supervisor Stacey, seconded by Supervisor Bromley, the agenda was approved by voice vote.

**New Business**

**County Zoning Agency**

1. Buddy R. Short (Scott Dawson, App.), Town of Spring Prairie, Rezone 7.93 acres of A-1, M-3, & C-4 to C-2 & C-4 – approved 7-0 (12-17-09 public hearing)

Supervisor Van Dreser offered a motion, seconded by Supervisor Stacey, to approve County Zoning Agency, item 1, Buddy R. Short (Scott Dawson, App.), Town of Spring Prairie.

On motion by Supervisor Stacey, seconded by Supervisor Weber, a five-minute recess was taken by the Board.

The Board reconvened at 5:07 p.m.

Michael Cotter, Director of Land Use and Resource Management, addressed the Board. He said that the property owner wishes to split a portion of this parcel to create one buildable CSM. It is served by Hwy 120 which is to the west of the parcel. Cotter explained this special meeting was held because now that the State of Wisconsin passed the Farmland Preservation Program, every time a land owner rezones out of A1 land, there is a payback due to the State which is roughly \$900 an acre. The person who applied was not told about this because at the time he applied, we were not aware of this new stipulation. Cotter said the owner would have owed roughly around \$7,000 to the State if we would have waited until January. He said going forward we won't have this option. Cotter said it is not a County program and it is nothing the County profits from because we turn the money directly over to the State. He encouraged the Supervisors to attend the special informational meeting of the Land Conservation Committee regarding the State

Farmland Preservation Program at 1:30 p.m. on January 13, 2010 in the Auditorium at Health and Human Services Center. He said he and his staff are doing the best they can to let people know about this State payback program.

There was no further discussion and the motion was approved by voice vote.

**Comment Period by Members of the Public Concerning Items Not on the Agenda**

There were none.

**Chairperson's Report**

Chair Russell reminded the attendees that the deadline for filing nomination papers is Tuesday, January 5, 2010 at 5:00 p.m.

**Adjournment**

On motion by Supervisor Grant, seconded by Supervisor Schaefer, the special meeting adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

Kimberly S. Bushey  
County Clerk

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I, Kimberly S. Bushey, County Clerk in and for the County aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the County Board of Supervisors Committee of the Whole for the December 29, 2009 meeting.