

MINUTES – Planning Commission Meeting

A **Plan Commission** meeting was held on Thursday, April 9, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at the Red Cedar Town Hall, E6591 627th Avenue, Menomonie, WI.

1. ROLL CALL/CALL TO ORDER. At 6:00 p.m., the Planning Commission Chairman, Leon Herrick, called the meeting to order. Present were Tim Nelson, Greg Miller, Bob Cook, and Secretary, Cheryl Miller. Chad Haldeman was absent. There were 12 people in attendance.
2. MINUTES. *Motion by Greg Miller to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2026 Planning Commission meeting; motion seconded by Bob Cook. None opposed. MC*
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS. None.
4. PUBLIC HEARING. Public Hearing on General Boundary Agreement Between the Town of Spring Brook and the Town of Red Cedar to detach the property located at N3954 640th Street, Menomonie, WI from the Town of Spring Brook and attach it to the Town of Red Cedar. The Chairman called the public hearing to order at 6:03 p.m. and asked for public comments for or against the subject Boundary Agreement. The owners of the property, Teresa and Bruce Olson, were present, and they commented on how the new alcohol licensing laws will affect their wedding barn business and why they requested a boundary change since they cannot operate without licensing. Two of the barns and the club house are in the Town of Spring Brook, and Spring Brook is a dry town and will not issue a liquor license for the venue. The Town of Red Cedar is not a dry town and provides an alcohol license to the barn located in Red Cedar. Without licensing for the other venues, they are subject to six events per year, and they historically have 25 or more. They are asking to detach from Spring Brook and attach to the Town of Red Cedar so they can continue to operate their wedding venues. Attendees asked if our tax dollars would be used for fixing the road there or if there would be more events or changes that would disrupt neighbors. No other comments were made for or against the proposed Boundary Agreement. At 6:16 p.m., the Chairman adjourned the public hearing.
5. BUSINESS to consider and act on, including possible recommendations to the Town Board:
 - (a) Recommendation to the Town Board on the General Boundary Agreement Between the Town of Spring Brook and the Town of Red Cedar to detach the property located at N3954 640th Street, Menomonie, WI from the Town of Spring Brook and attach it to the Town of Red Cedar. *Greg Miller, by motion, made a recommendation to approve the General Boundary Agreement Between the Town of Spring Brook and the Town of Red Cedar to detach the property located at N3954 640th Street from the Town of Spring Brook and attach it to the Town of Red Cedar; motion seconded by Tim Nelson. None opposed. MC*
 - (b) Recommendation to the Town Board on an application for a variance to create a new lot that does not meet the minimum lot size of 1 acre at E7461 U.S. Hwy. 12/29, Menomonie, WI. The owner, Mike Prochnow, and the renter of the property appeared. The property is a 1.45-acre lot that includes a single-family home and an agricultural shed. The renter would like to purchase the house, and the owner would like to keep the shed and continue to use it for farming purposes. A variance is required to create a new lot for the single-family home which is less than the minimum lot size required in the Dunn County Zoning Ordinance. *Bob Cook, by motion, made a recommendation that the Town Board endorse the variance to create a new lot that does not meet the minimum lot size of 1 acre at E7461 U.S. Hwy. 12/29; motion seconded by Greg Miller. None opposed. MC*

- (c) Verizon cell tower on 730th Avenue. The tower has been lowered to 133-feet and has been approved by the County and Airport Commission. *No action taken*. This item will be removed from future agendas.
 - (d) Required local land use division ordinance amendments. The amendments were reviewed. The County Surveyor, Tom Carlson, will discuss these amendments at the upcoming Dunn Co. Unit WTA meeting on April 27th, and Planning Commission members were encouraged to attend. *This item was postponed*.
 - (e) Updates to Town's Comprehensive Plan, including adding information on solar and wind energy. *This item was postponed*.
- 6. ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS. None.
 - 7. COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS. None.
 - 8. UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS. Postponed items.
 - 9. SET NEXT MEETING DATE: The next meeting was set for Wednesday, May 20, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.
 - 10. ADJOURN. *At 6:41 p.m., the Chairman, Leon Herrick, adjourned the meeting without objection.*

Cheryl L. Miller, Secretary

April 10, 2026