

DUNE ACRES PLAN COMMISSION
MINUTES September 8, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm. Present were Thomas Cornwell, Jane Dickey, Richard Hawksworth, Robert Lauer, Lou Mellen, David Rearick, and John Sullivan. It was moved by Lou Mellen, with second by Richard Hawksworth, that the minutes of the March 13, 2014 meeting be approved as presented.

The business was the preliminary plat for the subdivision of approximately 3 ½ acres on West Road. Presenting the application was Todd Leeth, attorney for the Richardson Foundation which owns the property, and John Hannon of Great Lakes Engineering, who prepared the plans. The plan is for the property to be subdivided into two buildable lots which would be for sale. Each lot would front on West Road and Lake Michigan. John Hannon said the proposed lots meet or exceed all town requirements. He further stated the Porter County Board of Health has indicated that each lot would support a septic field. The plat would dedicate to Dune Acres land necessary to create a full 50 foot right of way on West Road. This corrects inconsistencies between the road's actual location and the current right of way. There was a general discussion of land donation versus monetary donation for park use.

The plan commission will be required to select a planning engineer. It was moved by John Sullivan, with second by Jane Dickey, to appoint Willaim Rensberger as town planning engineer to review the preliminary plat. Favorable vote was unanimous.

The applicants were advised to seek town council approval for the type of park donation at the next meeting on September 23, 2014.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Joan Rearick, secretary