

**Town of Maiden Rock Plan Commission Meeting
Minutes, October 6, 2025**

The Maiden Rock Plan Commission review/revision meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chair Carl Nelson at the Maiden Rock Town Hall. Also attending were Chris Martin, Doug Sjostrom, Maryanne Wise, and Judy Krohn. Randy Erickson and Jerry Duden were unable to attend. Also attending was Will Bohrnsen, a recent addition to the Maiden Rock community. Will was invited and agreed to join as a member of the review committee.

Carl posted the notice of the meeting in 3 places throughout the Township. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes of the September meeting were approved on a motion by Carl, seconded by Maryanne.

Since our last meeting, Carl had the opportunity to discuss our project with John Bingol, Executive Director of the Mississippi River Regional Planning Commission. Established in 1964, MRRPC is an association of 9 West-Wisconsin counties which can provide and advise local government with plans and technical assistance on issues such as land use, transportation, environmental concerns, economic development and community facilities & assets, public surveys and public participation meetings. Carl shared the details of his discussion and our Committee's potential use of this service. Mr. Bingol will attend the next meeting of the Town Board and present a contract proposal for the Board's consideration. This organization assisted Martell Township and River Falls in updating their Comprehensive Plans; Carl will send members links to those plans for our review.

Carl also contacted SEH Consulting for an overview of their planning services that could be available resources for our work. Their representative, Nate Day, agreed to send a similar proposal for the upcoming Town Board Meeting.

We agreed that Carl will bring both proposals to the next Town Board meeting on October 13 and request that the Board approve and authorize the Committee to hire one of the above services to assist us in our Comprehensive Plan Update and Revision. If approved by the Town Board, we should strive to have our first meeting with the consultants in November and a survey ready to mail out with property taxes (December).

We discussed the logistics of conducting some of our upcoming meetings with our consultants via zoom or other on-line service, sharing documents digitally and ask how those records should be further shared and archived. Carl may purchase a large-screen TV that we could use at the Town Hall for such purposes.

If the Town Board agrees to fund our use of outside Consultant assistance, we hope that 1/2 the cost will be included in upcoming budget-making decisions and that 1/2 of the fee can be paid by the end of the year.

Our next meeting will be Monday, November 3, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. Maryanne & Doug will both be away during that time. On a motion to adjourn by Judy, seconded by Chris, our meeting concluded at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Judy Krohn