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MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, August 6, 2024, 7:00 P.M.
Town Board Meeting

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Laufenberg called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll call shows Chairperson Dave Laufenberg and Supervisors Dan Dresen, Matt Wright, and Art Meinholz present. Sup. Zinck was absent.

Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Dianah Fayas, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Doreen Jackson, Road Patrolman Darin Ripp, Attorney Mark Hazelbaker, Daniel Noltner, Chuck Schaeffer, Tyrel Foye, Karen Foye, Robert Sagmoen, C. Kelter, Same Landes, Scott Ripp, Dawn Ripp, Bruce Hollar, Peter Schau, Janice Faga, Alex Filkouski, Scott W., and Howard Wagner.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. CONFIRMATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETINGS LAW

The Clerk confirmed that the agenda was posted at town hall and on the Town website.

3. INFORMAL PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

Alex Filkouski, a resident on Greenbriar Lane addressed the board about the state of disrepair Greenbriar Lane is in and would like the road to be considered for reconstruction. Supervisors explained residents had previously objected to the trimming or removal of trees along the road that is necessary to keep the road base dry, so no improvements were made. Supervisors noted any reconstruction of the road would require the addition of a turnaround, in the form of a hammer head or cul de sac. Chairman Laufenberg directed staff to add the item to the August 20th town board agenda and bade the resident to notify the other Greenbriar Lane property owners of the upcoming discussions.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: July 16, 2024

One change was noted in Item 6 of the minutes.

Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Wright to approve the minutes with the change. Motion carried, 4-0.

5. DRIVEWAY APPLICATION: SCOTT RIPP, WOODLAND DRIVE

Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to grant Scott Ripp's driveway permit for 6992 Woodland Drive. Motion carried, 4-0.

6. CSM/REZONE UPDATE: FAGA FARM (PREV. MEIER FARM) 5827 CTH P

The board reviewed and reaffirmed the previously approved project. The applicant has secured a field road access point on County Highway P near the guardrail, assuring access to the farm's southern fields.

Motion by Sup. Meinholz, seconded by Sup. Wright to approve the CSM subject to the recording of the Declaration of Joint Driveway and Access Easement, Lots 1-3, and unplatted land. Motion carried, 4-0.

7. CAPITAL BREWERY BIKE CLUB RIDES

The bike club meets at 5:30 on Tuesdays and Thursdays and break into three groups. The club organizer sent out an update to club members after the last meeting with the board emphasizing safety and traffic law compliance and reiterate those priorities before each ride. After a meeting with a Dane County deputy the group will start self-policing more.

8. OPERATOR LICENSE REVOCATION FOR CAUSE DETERMINATION—TYREL FOYE, CONNIE’S; CONFER W/ THE HOLDER OF AN OPERATOR’S LICENSE CONCERNING POSSIBLE ACTION TO SUSPEND, CANCEL OR LIMIT THE OPERATOR’S LICENSE, & TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION.

Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Wright to suspend the operator’s license for one year. Mr. Foye can reapply after he completes another server’s class and all court programming related to the charge stemming from the June 25th accident. Motion carried, 3-0; Sup. Meinholz abstained.

9. RECOMMENDATIONS OF PC:

a. FROM 7/8/24: DESIGN REVIEW, ROBINSON BROS. ENVIRONMENTAL, LOT 8 SPRINGFIELD CORNERS COMMERCIAL CENTER, PARCEL 0808-092-0688-0

PC ACTION: MOTION BY COMMISSIONER SWANN, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WRIGHT TO APPROVE THE DESIGN REVIEW WITH INCLUSION OF 3’ HIGH BERMING ALONG THE ROAD FRONTAGE, CONDITIONED ON MSA’S REVIEW AND APPROVAL WITHOUT ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS OF THE UPDATED MATERIALS; ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS FROM MSA WILL REQUIRE THE PROJECT BE BACK ON THE PLAN COMMISSION’S AGENDA. MOTION CARRIED, 7-0.

Motion by Sup. Wright, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to approve the Design Review for Robinson Brothers in the commercial center for parcel 0808-092-0688-0. Motion carried, 4-0.

b. FROM 8/5/24: TRANSFER OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHT FOR MOBILE TOWER; ARON SHELTON, HARMONI TOWERS AND VERIZON WIRELESS, 4893 CAPITOL VIEW RD.

PC ACTION: MOTION BY COMMISSIONER WOLFE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WEILAND, UPON FINDING THE TDR SATISFIES THE REQUIREMENT OF A SPLIT TO APPROVE A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, TO APPROVE THE SENDING AREA, PARCEL 0808-302-9580-4 TRANSFER TO THE CELL TOWER’S PROPOSED SITE. MOTION CARRIED, 5-0.

c. FROM 6/10/24: ARON SHELTON, HARMONI TOWERS & VERIZON WIRELESS, CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR MOBILE TOWER SITING & REZONE TO AGRICULTURAL (AG), 4893 CAPITOL VIEW RD., PARCEL 0808-333-8021-5

PC ACTION: MOTION BY COMMISSIONER WOLFE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BARMAN, BASED ON THE TOWN’S LIMITED AUTHORITY, AND INCORPORATING THE APPLICATION PLANS AS PROPOSED OR IN SIMILAR FORM AS PRESENTED, TO APPROVE THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR A MOBILE TOWER AND REZONE TO AGRICULTURAL (AG), CONTINGENT ON EXECUTING A SHARED DRIVEWAY AGREEMENT AND EASEMENT, AND REQUIRING/UTILIZING ONE DEVELOPMENT RIGHT. MOTION CARRIED, 4-1.

Attorney Hazelbaker notified attendees that if the Board does not take action, a mobile communications tower application is automatically approved without any conditions imposed by the Town.

Motion by Chairman Laufenberg, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to adopt the Findings Concerning Rezoning and Conditional Use Permit as prepared, for Capital View Road and approve the TDR transfer. Motion carried, 4-0.

10. AMEND MEETING MINUTES OF 6/18/24

Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to accept the amended minutes for June 18, 2024. Motion carried, 4-0.

11. BLIGHT, 7166 COUNTY HWY. K

The board did not enter the buildings as the property owner was not at home at the time of the inspection, but did note an odor from the property. The existing court order does not allow the board to inspect inside the residence for detritus and rotting organic material, only the buildings. Attorney Hazelbaker recommends asking Mr. Wagner for permission to inspect the house to determine if a raze and/or repair order is needed.

Motion by Sup. Wright, seconded by Sup. Dresen for Attorney Hazelbaker to prepare a letter allowing the Board to inspect the property and work towards a repair or raze order based on findings of the inspection. Motion carried, 4-0.

12. RECOMMENDATIONS OF ATV/UTV COMMITTEE

The Board and town attorney will review the draft ordinance before it's on the next agenda.

13. TOWN MOWING POLICY IN RIGHT-OF-WAY AT INTERSECTIONS

Patrolman Ripp will continue to mow in the Right-of-Way (ROW) at intersections but noted some Town intersections are such that 33' from edge of the road puts some of the growth outside the ROW.

14. OLD BUSINESS

a. IGA RENEWAL DISCUSSIONS WITH CITY OF MIDDLETON AND VILLAGE OF WAUNAKEE
Chairman Laufenberg and Attorney Hazelbaker met with Town of Middleton officials.

b. PARK IMPROVEMENTS

15. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Supervisor IV:

Supervisor III:

Supervisor II:

Supervisor I: A second ATV committee meeting was held; the minutes and a draft ordinance are in the Board's packet for review.

Chairperson: Waunakee's public works contacted Chairman Laufenberg about slowing Hellenbrand Road to 25 mph; the Town can't lower the speed but due to the current detour to the Town road, the Village may be able to reduce the speed.

16. ROAD PATROLMAN'S REPORT

Shouldering on Meffert and Kickaboo is complete. Tree trimming in Martinsville will start tomorrow, with the second pass of mowing and patching interspersed as the weather allows.

17. CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

Town staff have received a few reports of periodic, unexplained loud boom noises in the Springhelt area over the last month or more. The election is next week, with testing and training scheduled for tomorrow. The assessment notifications were mailed out and the assessment has started.

18. APPROVAL OF BILLS AS PRESENTED

Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to approve and pay the bills. Motion carried, 4-0.

19. ADJOURN

Motion by Sup. Meinholz, seconded by Sup. Wright to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Motion carried, 45-0.