

## Town of Somerset Plan Commission

**July 16 2008**

**Minutes**

**7:00-9:20 pm**

Present: Larry Rauch, Chairman; Sherrill Schottler, Secretary; Paul Boerger, Peter Johnson, Doug Plourde, Lenny Germain, Miles Wittig

Absent: Craig Letourneau

Meeting called to order 7:00 pm

Plourde moved, Johnson seconded motion to approve agenda. Motion passed.

Minutes of June 18 and July 9 were reviewed. Plourde moved, Boerger seconded motion to approve June 18 minutes. Boerger moved, Plourde seconded motion to approve minutes of July 9. Motions passed.

There were no concerned township residents.

### **Old Business**

Report from Town Board meeting: Rauch reported that the Board will continue to collect a Park Fee rather than an Impact Fee. Brad Nemec had asked for monies to go toward ball fields maintenance. Total is about \$2000 for the Town share and 4 other entities will be sharing the rest of the approximately \$8000 cost. Pine Lake boat ramp is being considered if the grant from the DNR comes through. In addition a canoe access will be provided as part of the road improvement. Construction is anticipated to be completed fall of 08. The Board is pursuing the possibility of hiring a part-time officer especially to patrol Twin Springs boat landing on a limited basis; this is anticipated to commence in 2009. Shane Demulling will be joining the Bass Lake Rehab Planning Grant committee. Mobile Home license was reviewed. The CSM for Michael Stevens was approved.

Report from Parks and Rec Committee: Boerger reported that the committee met on July 7 and reviewed the 5 properties being considered for a future park. 3 of those properties remain on the short list of possibilities. At this time The site chosen will most likely be used for ball fields and possibly a new town hall.

Subdivision Ordinance Review: Rauch reported on the following: According to state statute there must be some specific language in the ordinance regarding parks and trails. Road ordinance: culdesacs received much discussion. County Road ordinance should be reinserted in the Somerset subdivision ordinance. Rauch will continue with the editing process and get a new draft out to the Commission shortly. At next meeting Plourde will give a demo on the specifics and configuration possibilities of open space design. Open Space: when considering options and possibilities it is important that the language be kept in line with wording in the Comp

Plan – although the Comp Plan can be adjusted when it is reviewed by 2010. Slope disturbance was a significant topic; whatever the Town decides to use for slope wording should be in complete agreement with wording in the Land Use Plan and the Comp Plan and should be enforceable by County. Language concerning CBA was clarified for further understanding. In addition A memorandum on the concept review shall be filed (our traveler) and a copy shall be given to the applicant and St Croix County.

**Plourde** will contact Ruth Steiner to see how all of the Town ordinances can be added to the web site.

There being no further business Plourde moved, Wittig seconded motion to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned 9:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted  
Sherrill Schottler, Secretary