

Minutes

Town of Somerset Plan Commission

October 18, 2006 7 pm 8:15 pm

Present: Larry Rauch, Chairman, Sherrill Schottler, Secretary, Paul Boerger, Doug Plourde, Craig Letourneau, Peter Johnson,

Absent: Miles Wittig

At 7:00 pm Chairman Rauch noted that a quorum was present and called the meeting of the Town of Somerset Plan Commission to order.

Commission Planning Session

Motion made by Letourneau, seconded by Boerger to approve agenda. Motion passed.

Motion made by Plourde, seconded by Johnson to approve minutes of September meeting with name correction. Change Peter to Johnson. Motion passed.

There were no concerned township residents present with issues to bring forth at this time.

Old Business

Report from Town Board meeting

- Plourde reviewed meetings Town Board has had: (1) Board met with representatives of firms regarding impact fees and the potential to institute them. Further meetings will be held with two of the firms to gather additional information before making a decision about the future of impact fees. Establishing impact fees would require significant changes in the way the Township proceeds. (2) Board met to establish a budget; proposed budget was passed out for review.

- Rauch reviewed activity of October Board meeting. See official Town minutes.

- Rauch requested Planning Commission to review information regarding DNR latest information on "Who owns the waters?" especially relating to newspaper article Sunday Oct 15, 2006.

- Parks and Rec Committee: Boerger shared survey results. See enclosed survey.

- Town Subdivision Ordinance: Bill Hunt has agreed to review the ordinance. Boerger brought up a concern about how the County Ordinance was put together and he felt that a reorganization of the table of contents in the Town ordinance would make the document flow better. Specifically County puts together concept and preliminary into one stage of review and Town might be better off separating those two steps so it would fit better into the way we currently subdivisions.

Planning Commission needs to schedule a meeting to review this ordinance before it can be presented to the Town Board. Suggested meeting is Wednesday, Nov 8, 7-10 pm.

Other

Concerned Resident Bill Hunt appeared at 8pm and asked Planning Commission to bring up to the Board the need to work with Towns

Association to clarify what exactly the latest information from the DNR on who owns lake water will actually mean to current lake owners and future lake owners.

Letourneau needed to know where sign permits were granted; County issues permits.

New Business

None

There being no further business Schottler moved, Plourde seconded motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted
Sherrill Schottler