

**Town of Somerset
Town Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 6, 2006**

Chairman Schachtner called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Present were Gunderson, Germain, Demulling, Plourde and Schachtner. Motion by Gunderson, seconded by Germain to approve the agenda. Motion carried. All members voted yes. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. No public input.

Clerk's & Treasurer's reports: Motion by Gunderson, seconded by Plourde to approve the November 1st and 9th meeting minutes. Motion carried. All members voted yes. Motion by Germain, seconded by Demulling to approve the November financial report. Motion carried. All members voted yes.

Building Inspector's report: Wert was not present, but report was available. Annual report will be requested for January. Motion by Demulling, seconded by Plourde to approve the November Building Inspector's report. Motion carried. All members voted yes.

Consideration of renewal of Building Inspector's annual contract: Motion by Germain, seconded by Gunderson to renew the building inspector's contract for one-year, expiring December 31, 2007. Motion carried. All members voted yes.

Fire/Rescue Commission report: Demulling read a report from Travis Belisle regarding November activities and grant status. Building leak was discussed. Schachtner stated Xcel Energy has not responded to request for outdoor streetlight at entrance. Belisle requested reflectors for the time being.

Parks & Rec Committee report: Gunderson reported on November 6th meeting. Survey results were discussed; waiting for engineer and needs assessment study. Discussion on dump property and possible prairie restoration.

Old Business-Ruth Steiner/website approval and additional payment request: Steiner has completed her work on the website at www.townofsomerset-wi.org. Website has more pages than originally thought. Steiner requested additional payment of \$500.00 to cover cost of extra pages and training of clerk to maintain website. Motion by Gunderson, seconded by Plourde to pay Ruth Steiner \$500.00 for extra pages and training for the next six months. Motion carried. All members voted yes. At this time, authorization to post/maintain website will be by Jeri Koester.

Roger LaMirande-request for fencing along property/85th Street: LaMirande was present and requested a sturdy safety fence rather than a split-rail fence that was previously approved. Motion by Demulling, seconded by Gunderson not to exceed \$2,500 for a chain link fence for Roger LaMirande's property along 85th Street. Motion carried. All members voted yes.

The NE Angle-road numbering: Motion by Demulling, seconded by Germain to leave the road numbering 236th Avenue as noted on the plat map. Motion carried. All members voted yes.

New Business-Appointment of election inspectors and set hourly pay: Motion by Gunderson, seconded by Demulling to appoint the presented list of election inspectors and set the pay at \$10.00/hour, plus meals. Motion carried. All members voted yes.

House/address signs-new styles/prices effective January 1: Lange Enterprises has notified the Town they will no longer manufacture the steel address signs as of December 31. Discussion on prices, sizes and styles of signs. Motion by Demulling, seconded by Gunderson to begin using the red, flag-style 20"

X 8" address sign with Town of Somerset, address and road name imprinted on sign at a cost of \$40.00 per sign installed, to all new building permits. If residents want to purchase a new style sign to replace their existing sign, the cost is \$35.00, uninstalled. Motion carried. All members voted yes.

Planning Commission Report-Kuryakyn Holdings/Special exception request for expansion of current business at 500 County Road VV: Kuryakyn requested approval for a special exception permit for cold storage only, no personnel, 3-5 trips a day w/truck, no signage and they will blacktop the parking lot at the Somerset Transportation property which they would like to purchase at 500 County Road V V. Motion by Gunderson, seconded by Demulling to approve the special exception permit request for Kuryakyn Holdings to expand their current business with cold storage at 500 County Road V V. Motion carried. All members voted yes.

Riverside Ministries/Special exception permit request to operate a church in a commercial district at 427 County Road V V: Pastor Bill Hieb addressed the board and requested approval of special exception permit. Much discussion on county process. Motion by Demulling, seconded by Gunderson, pending Planning Commission approval, to approve a special exception permit request for Riverside Ministries to operate a church in a commercial district at 427 County Road V V. Motion carried. All members voted yes.

Discussion on animal control after April 2007: Intent is to provide animal control by a contractual basis/per call payment. Interested parties need to provide their own insurance; possibly an ad should be placed in the newspaper. No action taken.

Date for next joint Town/Village meeting: Wednesday, January 31, 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall.

Review draft of employee handbook: Board members need to review and highlight additions or deletions for finalization. No action taken.

Meeting adjourned at 9:47 p.m.

Jeri Koester, Clerk