

TOWN OF SOMERS
MINUTES of the REGULAR MEETING
October 22 2013

The Regular Meeting of the Somers Town Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ben Harbach at the Somers Town Hall, 7511 12TH Street.

Present: Chairman Ben Harbach, Supervisors Gregg Sinnen, Michael DeLuca, Judy Schantek & Peter Ress. Also present: Town Administrator William Morris & Clerk-Treasurer Tim Kitzman.

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent and Approval of Consent and Approval of Minutes of the Town Board Meeting on 08-27-13, Vouchers dated 10-11-13 & 10-18-13

Sup. Sinnen moved to approve minutes of the Town Board Meeting on 08-27-13 & payment of Vouchers dated 10-11-13 & 10-18-13, second by Sup. Schantek. Motion carried 5-0.

Correspondence

Received & filed: Notice of Public Hearing on November 19, 2013 for Proposed Zoning & Comprehensive Plan Amendment for Village of Mount Pleasant & Sate of Wi Notice of Highway & General Transportation Aid Payment

Citizen Comments

James Smith, 1022 22nd Avenue, commended the Board on moving to incorporate. He also asked if a new fire chief had been selected. Maciej Godlewski, 6205 45th Street, stated garbage was blowing onto his property from Sam's Club & Wal-Mart. Ron Grimes, 3145 72nd Avenue, spoke regarding flooding problems at his property. He questioned why Board members weren't in attendance at the recent Pike River watershed meeting. Ed Carlson 1429 42nd Avenue, asked about the half-constructed gas station at the corner of Hwy "E" & Hwy 32. He also stated the need for a flashing stop sign at the intersection of Highways "E" & "EA." Carl Kirkorian, 502 9th Place, spoke regarding the lack of parking lot lights and the condition of 104th Avenue. He stated the doors were open at Fire Station #2 for 2 ½ hours. He also stated there is a need for a residency requirement for the Fire Chief, Public works Superintendent & Administrator.

Supervisor's Comments

All Board Members extended their condolences to the McCollum Family who lost their son in a recent traffic accident. Supervisors addressed citizen's comments. Sup. Sinnen thanked Board Members for their concern shown on the death in his family. He thanked Mr. Grimes for his information packet. Sup. Sinnen also thanked the Kenosha News for the article on the Rasmussen Family & Tim Fulton for his work with the grant. Sup. Sinnen stated he would not run for re-election. Sup. Schantek stated Incorporation planning started early in the year. Supervisor Ress stated the Board is working hard to address problems. He also apologized for the Board missing the Pike River watershed meeting. Sup. DeLuca stated the trash problem from Sam's Club/Wal-Mart would be addressed. Chairman Harbach reviewed the list of Board priorities.

Report by Alice Thompson

Alice Thompson narrated a slide presentation on the Eco-Hydrology of Somers Branch of the Pike River, Neumiller & Gitzlaff Parks.

Motion to Accept Marilyn Meldahl's Resignation from Fire Commission

Sup. Ress moved to accept Marilyn Meldahl's Resignation from Fire Commission, second by Sup. DeLuca. Motion carried 5-0.

Public Hearing on Final Resolution No. 13-013 to Levy Special Assessments

Chairman Harbach opened the public hearing. No one spoke and the public hearing was closed.

Action on Final Resolution No. 13-013 to Levy Special Assessments on Properties in the Town of Somers

Sup. Sinnen moved to adopt said Final Resolution and levy as listed in Schedule A, second by Sup. DeLuca. Motion carried 5-0.

Action on Resolution No. 13-014 to Authorize Borrowing for 47th Avenue Reconstruction Project in the amount of \$69,177.62

Sup. Schantek moved to table said resolution, second by Sup. Ress. Motion carried 5-0.

Public Hearing & Action on Original License Application for "Class B" Combination Fermented Malt Beverage & Liquor License by Paradise Lounge, LLC, Parveen Kaisani, Agent, 408 Emerald DR, Mt Pleasant, WI 53406, d/b/a Paradise Lounge, 1778 Sheridan Road, Kenosha, WI 53140

Chairman Harbach opened the public hearing. Neil Kaisani, 408 Emerald DR, Mt Pleasant, WI, presented a business plan to the Board. The public hearing was closed. Sup. Sinnen moved to grant a "Class B" Combination Fermented Malt Beverage & Liquor License to Paradise Lounge, LLC, 1778 Sheridan Road, for first floor only and excluding basement, with the condition that the agent cannot apply for a cabaret license through licensing period (June 30, 2014) Second by Sup. DeLuca. Motion carried 3-2 with Sup. Schantek & Ress voting no.

Approval of Operator Licenses: None

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Submitted by Timothy Kitzman, Clerk-Treasurer

These minutes are not official until approved by the Town Board.