

**TOWN OF SOMERS
MINUTES of the REGULAR MEETING
September 10, 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, Attorney Jeff Davison & 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 July 23, 2013, Joint Meeting of Town Board, Somers Economic Development Committee and Incorporation Committee Meeting on June 17, 2013; Building Report & Vouchers dated 08-30-13 & 09-06-13

Sup. Sinnen moved to approve Minutes of the Town Board Meeting on July 23, 2013, Joint Meeting of Town Board, Somers Economic Development Committee and Incorporation Committee Meeting on June 17, 2013; Building Report & payment of Vouchers dated 08-30-13 & 09-06-13, second by Sup. DeLuca. Motion carried 5-0.

Correspondence

There was none.

Citizen Comments

Ron Grimes, 3145 72nd Avenue, spoke regarding Majestic Project storm water run-off, flooding that occurred on his property and the high cost of flood insurance. Larry Harding, 445 8th Place, stated he was pleased with the selection of the interim fire chief. He asked for clarification of agenda items #9 & 11. He also questioned the need for incorporation. Glenn Fenske, 2930 72nd Avenue, stated his concerns regarding Majestic Project storm water run-off. Gloria Schiprio, 9920 88th Avenue, stated concerns over Majestic Project storm water run-off and asked if the road needed to be widened. John Sorensen, 524 9th Place, stated he was pleased with the proposed development and asked that the storm water run-off concerns be addressed early in the planning. Paulette Vanko, 301 6th Street, Racine, spoke regarding her application for an operators license. Carl Kirkorian, 502 9th Place, urged all to work together to promote development and reported on a Fox 6 News story regarding the North Shore Fire Department. He also stated insurance for firemen going up and the Town is making progress on cleaning up junk.

Supervisor's Comments

Sup. DeLuca thanked all for their comments and stated he is pleased with the conceptual of the industrial development. Supervisor Ress thanked John Sorensen for his offer to assume interim fire chief position. Sup. Schantek stated the Board will look at all issues raised with the proposed development including water run-off. She reminded the Board of the upcoming Pork Chop dinner. Sup. Sinnen reminded all of 911 tomorrow and the lives that were lost. He thanked Chief Krause for his many years of service to the Town. He also extended thanks to Nina Smith for her work on the EPIC Committee. Sup. Sinnen assured residents that the Board will listen to all concerns raised with the proposed development. Chairman Harbach stated the Board would listen to all flooding concerns with the proposed development. He also stated the Highway E Interceptor

project will allow the sewer moratorium to be lifted. Chairman Harbach also thanked John Sorensen and reviewed the list of Board priorities.

Plan Commission Recommendations:

a) Action on conceptual plan for proposed industrial development located at the northeast corner of CTH "S" & "H," Parcel Nos. 80-4-222-282-0100 & 80-4-222-282-0101; Majestic Realty Company, 13191 Crossroads Parkway North, City of Industry, CA 91746, Agent; Charles Tunkieicz, Inc., 8737 18th ST, Kenosha, WI 53144, Owner.

John Semcken III of Majestic Realty Company presented a slide show to explain the conceptual plan for the proposed industrial development. Board members asked various questions.

Sup. Ress moved to concur with Plan Commission and approve conceptual plan, second by Sup. DeLuca. Motion carried 5-0.

b) Action on proposed Resolution No. 13-011: Endorsement of the Year 2035 Regional Housing Plan for Southeastern Wisconsin

Sup. Schantek moved to concur with Plan Commission & adopt Resolution No. 13-011, second by Sup. Ress. Motion carried 5-0.

Approve Indemnification Agreement with Jerome & Sharon Janusz

Sup. Sinnen moved to approve Indemnification Agreement with Jerome & Sharon Janusz, second by Sup. Schantek. Motion carried 5-0.

Action on proposed Ordinance No. 13-010 Amending Section 5.14 Rescue Fees

Sup. Sinnen moved to waive the first reading of said ordinance, second by Sup. DeLuca. Motion carried 5-0. Sup. Sinnen moved to adopt said ordinance, second by Sup. DeLuca. Motion carried 5-0.

Action on Recommendation to Fire Commission to Appoint John Sorensen Interim Fire Chief, Subject to Terms & Conditions Outlined in Employment Letter dated 09-06-13

Sup. Sinnen moved to recommend to the Fire Commission the appointment of John Sorensen as Interim Fire Chief, Subject to Terms & Conditions Outlined in Employment Letter dated 09-06-13, second by Sup. DeLuca. Motion carried 5-0.

Authorize Administrator & Town Chair to Obtain Necessary Easements to proceed with Highway E Interceptor

Sup. DeLuca moved to authorize Administrator & Town Chair to Obtain Necessary Easements to proceed with Highway E Interceptor, second by Sup. DeLuca. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Operator Licenses: New: Myrtle L. Franklin, Paulette Vanko

Sup. Sinnen moved to grant operator licenses to Myrtle L. Franklin & Paulette Vanko, second by Sup. DeLuca. Motion carried 5-0.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.
Submitted by Timothy Kitzman, Clerk-Treasurer