

**TOWN OF SOMERS
MINUTES of the REGULAR MEETING
January 14, 2014**

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 Building Report & Vouchers dated 12-27-13, 01-02-14 & 01-09-14, Tax Account Vouchers dated 12-30-13 & 01-08-14

Sup. Sinnen moved to approve Building Report & payment of Vouchers dated 12-27-13, 01-02-14 & 01-09-14, Tax Account Vouchers dated 12-30-13 & 01-08-14, second by Sup. DeLuca. Motion carried 5-0.

Correspondence

Received & filed: SEWRPC 2012 Annual Report; Village of Sturtevant re Public Hearing on January 21, 2014 on Amendment to Comprehensive Plan; WI Division of Transportation Management re Notice of Payment of General Transportation Aids

Citizen Comments

Rich Richards, 12910 County Line Road, stated he represented Mr. Jansen, owner of the property at 10831 1st Street and supports the shooting range proposal. John Malkowski, appeared on behalf of Todd Ogren, and stated all concerns raised at the Plan Commission meeting regarding the shooting range would be addressed. Ed Carlson, 1429 42nd Avenue, invited Board members to a Somers Chargers 4-H meeting to meet the members. He also raised concerns on salt usage in Somers. Ron Grimes, 3145 72nd Avenue, distributed a packet of his concerns. Jack Schwartz, 555 13th Avenue, reported graffiti on the bridge north of 7th Street. He also reported the river bank by 13th Avenue has washed away. Cassie & James Petty, 10721 1st Street, spoke in opposition to the proposed shooting range at 10831 1st Street. John Sorensen, 524 13th Place, urged an open mind on the shooting range proposal. Carl Kirkorian, 502 9th Place, spoke regarding salt usage, overtime pay for the Public Works Superintendent, Waste Management Contract & LifeQuest billing. He stated the Employee Handbook is not being followed with respect to smoking in Town vehicles and on Town property. He also stated the Fire Chief, Administrator & Public Works Superintended should have a residency requirement.

Supervisor's Comments

Supervisor DeLuca thanked all for attending the meeting. He stated overtime pay for the Public Works Superintendent was due to federal law. He stated that safety is paramount in the shooting range proposal. Supervisor Ress thanked Mr. Grimes & Mr. & Mrs. Petty for their comments. He stated he had withdrawn from the Town Board race but would complete his term. Supervisor Schantek thanked all for attending the meeting. She thanked Mr. & Mrs. Petty for their comments and stated Interim Chief Sorensen would take care of the smoking issues. Supervisor Sinnen thanked all for attending the meeting. He thanked Mr. Grimes for his diligence. Sup. Sinnen pointed out the Incorporation fact sheet had changed. He thanked

the front office staff for their work with tax collections. Sup. Sinnen also thanked Public Works & Fire staff for their work in the cold weather. Chairman Harbach thanked Mr. Grimes & Mr. Kirkorian for their comments. He re-stated the Boards goals.

Plan Commission Recommendations:

a. Request by Michael L & Susan M Sorensen, 3119 4th St., Kenosha, WI 53144-1007 (Owner), to rezone from A-2 General Agricultural Dist. to R-2 Suburban Single-Family Residential Dist. on part of Tax Parcel #80-4-222-013-0010 located in the SW ¼ of Section 1, T2N, R22E, Town of Somers, Kenosha County, WI.

Sup. DeLuca moved to concur with Plan Commission and approve rezoning, second by Sup. Schantek. Motion carried 5-0.

b) Action on proposed conceptual plan by Todd Ogren (Agent), Richard Jansen, 3525 Pilgrim RD, Brookfield, WI 53005 (Owner) for a shooting range at 10831 1st Street, Tax Parcel #80-4-222-061-0301, located in the NE ¼ of Section 6, T2N, R22E, Town of Somers, Kenosha County, WI (Located south of CTH "KR")

No Board action required on a conceptual plan and no action taken.

Approve Appointments to Board of Appeals

Sup. Sinnen moved to appoint Bill Kram & Robert Nuzzo to 3 year terms on the Board of Appeals, second by Sup. DeLuca. Motion carried 5-0.

Approve Salt Purchase

Sup. DeLuca moved to approve 400 ton salt purchase through state bid at a cost of \$21,784.00, second by Sup. Sinnen. Motion carried 5-0.

Approve Second Amendment to Parkside Springs Developers Agreement

Sup. Sinnen moved to approve Second Amendment to Parkside Springs Developers Agreement, second by Sup. DeLuca. Motion carried 5-0.

Approve Website Agreement with Jackie Nelson

Sup. Sinnen moved to approve Website Agreement with Jackie Nelson, not to exceed \$5,000.00, second by Sup. Schantek. Motion carried 5-0.

Approve Sabath Contract

Sup. Ress moved to approve Sabath Contract for Incorporation Consulting, not to exceed \$7,500.00, second by Sup. Sinnen. Motion carried 4-1 with Sup. DeLuca voting no.

Approval of Operator Licenses: New: Ellena M. Mandujano, Baron L. Olsen, Theresa A. Tanking

Sup. Sinnen moved to grant operator licenses to Ellena M. Mandujano, Baron L. Olsen & Theresa A. Tanking, second by Sup. Schantek. Motion carried 5-0.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Submitted by Timothy L. Kitzman, Clerk-Treasurer

These minutes are not official until approved by the Town Board