

**Village Plan Commission Minutes
April 9, 2018**

Present: Chairman Stoner, Commissioners, Michael DeLuca, James Smith, Bob Lee, Don Boxx and Robin Wamboldt. Absent was Commissioner Aiello. Also Present, William Morris, Administrator, Jason Peters, Assistant Administrator, Luke Godshall, Planner and Ann Brumback, Administrative Assistant.

1. **Call to order:** Chairman Stoner called the meeting to order at 5:30p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Chairman Stoner asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Approve minutes of 2-12-18 meeting:** Commissioner DeLuca made the motion to approve the minutes of 2-12-18, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Lee. Motion carried 6 – 0.
4. **Correspondence:** None
5. **Citizen Comments:** Brad Genane spoke regarding the landscaping of the We Energies Site.
6. **Public hearing & action on request by Board of Regents University of Wisconsin, 1220 Linden Dr., Madison, WI 53706-1557 (Owner), James Keegan, 333 W Everett Street – A249, Milwaukee, WI 53203 (Agent for We Energies), for a Conditional Use Permit for the expansion of an existing electric utility substation in the I-1 Institutional Dist. on Tax Parcel 82-4-222-111-6000, 900 Wood Rd, located in the NE ¼ of Section 11, T2N, R22E, Village of Somers.**

Chairman Stoner read the request for a Public Hearing into the minutes and opened the Public hearing asking if anyone wanted to speak. No one chose to speak at this time and Chairman Stoner closed the Public hearing.

Chairman Stoner then read the request for Action into the minutes of the meeting and called for a motion to approve the request for the CUP for expansion of the electric utility substation. Commissioner Boxx made the motion to approve the CUP and was seconded by Commissioner Lee. Chairman Stoner then opened up discussion on the request.

James Keegan with We Energies explained the current substation was built in the year 2000 and needed improvements and some equipment replaced as well as the need for a 2nd transformer to service not only the University but the local communities. Mr. Keegan also agreed to look at the berms on the north side of the property and the need for improvement in screening the sight for the neighbors, however because of the equipment in the ground and the overhead wires owned by ATC he could not promise what the outcome would be. Further discussion by the Commissioners concluded that they would like to see a landscaping plan before recommending approval to the Board. Chairman Stoner asked if it could be possible to get a landscaping plan by Tuesday, April 17, 2018 and come to the Village Work Session and invited the Commissioners who were available to come and hear the discussion.

After several motions to amend the original motion failed, Commissioner Boxx made the motion to deny recommendation of approval to the Village Board, and was seconded by Commissioner DeLuca. Motion Carried 6- 0.

7. **Action on request by SADAT 786 Inc., 1147 Sheridan Rd., Kenosha, WI 53140 (Owner), John Klema, Michael's Signs, 3914 South Memorial Dr., Racine, WI 53403 (Agent), for a ground sign at 1147 Sheridan Rd., Tax Parcel #83-4-223-074-0850, Village of Somers.**

Chairman Stoner read the request for Action into the minutes for the ground sign for Beach Aire Motel into the minutes, and called for a motion.

Commissioner Box made the motion to approve, and was seconded by Commissioner Smith. Chairman Stoner then opened the discussion regarding the sign. The only question that was raised was the height of the sign as the information given to the Commission showed both 19' and 12' high. Chairman Stoner then amended the motion to limit the height of the sign to 12'.

Chairman Stoner called for a vote. Motion carried 6-0.

7. **Adjourn:** Commissioner DeLuca made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Boxx seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. Meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:52pm.

**These minutes are not official until approved by the Plan Commission.
Submitted by Ann Brumback, Administrative Assistant.**