

Plan Commission Meeting December 3, 2012

Cal Oldenburg called the regular Plan Commission meeting to order at 6:00PM in the meeting room at the Town Hall. Present were Cal Oldenburg, Carol Williams, Peter Thelen, Kenneth Uhlhorn, James Schorer, Peter Jacobs, Gordon Rowley (alt.), William Nelson (alt.) and 3 visitors.

Clerk/Administrator verified posting. Item number 3 on the agenda will be moved to the last item before adjournment. Motion made/second Jim/Ken to accept the revised agenda. Carried.

Accept minutes – Motion made/second Ken/Carol to accept the minutes. Carried.

Citizen input – None.

Marne Kaeske of Ridges Sanctuary – Discussion on land use regarding ground water quality – Marne presented information on a project she is working on with the Ridges regarding best management practices for groundwater quality to ensure a safe environment for endangered species such as the Hines' Emerald Dragonfly. Once the project is finished she will present it to the Town Board. More information can be obtained from her at the Ridges Sanctuary office.

Discuss/decide Petition for Grant of Variance for Raymond and Mary Spangler, 8006 STH 57, Parcel #002-22-0106 – Carol Williams abstained from discussion and decision. This is a variance that came up once before. In that case, both the Commission and Town Board recommended denial. However, the County approved it. The reason they need the variance is because they would like to become a Multiple Occupancy Development, which requires a greater setback. If the variance is approved, they would apply for a Conditional Use Permit for a MOD. There was much discussion regarding noise concerns, parking issues and if there is a hardship. Gordon Rowley also presented a history of the property from doing some research at Door County Planning. Motion made/second Cal/Ken to recommend that the Town Board send a letter to the County recommending denial of the variance due to the issues discussed. Carried, with Carol Williams abstaining.

Review feedback from Comprehensive/Smart Growth Plan public hearing and consider adoption of Resolution #02-2012, a Resolution to Recommend to the Town Board Adoption of the Amended Comprehensive Plan – The County had submitted an edited document for the public hearing. The Plan Commission will review their document and we'll bring this up again at next month's meeting.

Motion made/second Pete/Carol to adjourn at 7:15PM. Carried.

These minutes are subject to correction at the next regular Plan Commission meeting.

Douglas Smith

Town Clerk/Administrator