

TOWN OF WESTPORT

TOWN BOARD - Monday, May 5, 2008

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Town Board was called to order in the Community Meeting Room of the Kennedy Administration Building at 7:02 p.m. by Van Dinter. Members present: Enge, Robinson, Sipsma, Van Dinter and von Rutenberg. Members absent: None. Also present: Approximately 40 Carriage Ridge residents, Tom Hellenbrand, Helen Hellenbrand, Bill Suick, Tom Bunbury, Charmet Findley, Carolyn Haney, Evon Haney, Brent Neevel and Tom Wilson.

Nobody was present for public comment regarding matters not on the agenda. The minutes of the April 21, 2008 regular meeting were approved as presented on a motion by Sipsma, second von Rutenberg.

For operator licenses, the Board approved reconsidering the rejection of the Charmet Findley license after discussion on a motion by Enge, second Sipsma, by a vote of 3-0-2 (von Rutenberg and Robinson abstaining). Von Rutenberg then recused himself from this item and left the meeting room. After obtaining further information from Mr. Findley and his employer, and after further discussion and assurances by Mr. Findley of compliance with potential conditions on his license, an operator license was approved for Charmet Findley on a motion by Sipsma, second Enge, conditioned upon Mr. Findley's probation agent agreeing to report probation violations to the Town, that he not operate a motor vehicle in the Town without a valid drivers license, that his employer report to the Town of probation violations or if he is no longer employed, the license is only good for work at Stop n Go and will be immediately revoked should his employment cease there for any reason, and for immediate revocation of the license upon any probation violation or violation of any other law, by a vote of 3-1 (Robinson voting against).

Von Rutenberg then returned to the meeting room to participate in the remainder of the meeting items.

For driveway permits, the Board approved the request of Steve Gilles on Reynolds Avenue to lift the condition for porous asphalt/concrete use on his driveway variance granted at the April 21, 2008 meeting due to concerns over use of these porous materials by wells and to allow the use of standard materials on a motion by Sipsma, second Enge.

After ground rules for the item were set by Van Dinter, a presentation by Wilson, questions by those in attendance, and discussion, Resolution 08-02 (Conditionally Approving the First Addition to Carriage Ridge Plat and Rezone (County A-2 to R-1), 39 Single Family Residential Lots, Cobblestone Lane, Carriage Ridge LLC/Bunbury) was approved as follows on a motion by Enge, second Robinson, with the Town Attorney to draft the Resolution for review and approval by the Chair, on a vote of 4-0-1 with Van Dinter abstaining:

1. Conditions as approved by the JPC in its written recommendation and Plan Commission not inconsistent with other conditions below;
2. Restructured roadways and lots as presented to the Board at the meeting;

3. Phasing as proposed in the April 29, 2008 letter from William F. Suick and the Cobblestone/Dailey connection to be finalized as proposed in that letter, but not completed for vehicle traffic until completion of the roadway connection from Bellewood Drive to Tuscany Lane (which is the neighborhood collector road for the Blueridge, Tuscany Ridge and Carriage Ridge neighborhoods from/to Woodland Drive);
4. The Town and Village to work on Plan Amendments for trails consistent with this preliminary plat approval, as proposed by William F. Suick, and as then presented to the Board at the meeting; and,
5. Mailboxes all on one side of the roadways as recommended by the Town Maintenance Supervisor.

Sipsma and von Rutenberg reported that the Audit Committee recommended payment of bills as presented by the Administrator. Robinson questioned matters regarding work of the CATV/Tech. Committee. Van Dinter and Wilson reported on meetings of the plan commission/committees.

There were no Administrative Matters raised. For Miscellaneous Matters or Forthcoming Events raised, Wilson advised the Board that liquor and associated license applications are filed and that those matters will be on the Board meeting agenda for its June 2, 2008 meeting, and of the brief Board of Review meeting required that will also be held before the Board meeting on June 2, 2008.

Current bills as presented by the Administrator and as approved for payment by the Audit Committee were paid on a motion by von Rutenberg, second Sipsma.

Motion to adjourn by Sipsma, second Robinson. The meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Thomas G. Wilson,
Attorney/Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer