TOWN OF WESTPORT TOWN BOARD - Monday, February 19, 2024

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Town Board was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chair Cuccia in the Community Meeting Room of the Bernard J. Kennedy Administration Building/Town Hall. Members Present: Cuccia, Manering, Pichette, Trotter, and Werner. Members Absent: None. Also present: Dean Grosskopf, Taylor Brengel, Jeremy Lange, Mara Stewart, and Mitch Trotter.

Grosskopf confirmed that this meeting conforms with open Meetings Law.

There was no public comment on matters not on the agenda.

The minutes of the February 5, 2024, regular Board meeting were approved on a motion by Pichette second Manering.

An application for a driveway variance at 4951 Borchers Beach Rd. was reviewed and approved on a motion by Trotter, second Manering.

An application for a Temporary Class "B"/"Class B" Retailers License by Saint Mary of the Lake Catholic Church on file with the Clerk and presented by Grosskopf, was granted subject to all state and local requirements on a motion by Manering, second Trotter. A Regular Operator License for Theresa Alt as on file with the Clerk and presented was granted subject to all state and local requirements, was approved on a motion by Manering, second Trotter.

The Land Division and Rezone, 6285 CTH K, for Kruschek was considered for approval. Grosskopf presented information, along with recommendations by the Westport Town Plan Commission and the Middleton Joint Zoning Commission to the Town Board. After a discussion, the Board approved the Land Division and Rezone, subject to all standard Town conditions, no further land division of any of the created parcels, and an appropriate final zoning change as determined by the Joint Zoning Commission and approved by the City of Middleton, on a motion by Werner, second Manering.

Grosskopf introduced draft Resolution 24-03 based on a recommendation to approve the Yahara Estates Land Division (38 Single Family Lots and 7 (seven) out lots) from the Plan Commission, which is to approve the plat as submitted and presented, subject to all of the conditions and restrictions placed on the preliminary plat, and in addition, subject to final engineering plans showing all 38 lots being connected to Westport sewer and water, the development as designed meets with the final approval of Strand Engineering and the Town's engineer and staff for water runoff, and adequate retention to protect the adjacent neighborhood, and subject to a signed Developers' agreement acceptable to the Town. After a lengthy discussion, the final plat was approved. Resolution 23-03 was adopted with these conditions on a motion by Trotter, second Manering.

After a brief introduction by Grosskopf relative to a road vacation and re-alignment of Bishops Bay Parkway, a Public Hearing was held at 6:38 PM. After calling for comments three times, and no comments were made, the Chair closed the Public Hearing at 6:39 PM. The road vacation was approved as presented by the Community of Bishops Bay on a motion by Pichette, second Manering.

Grosskopf introduced the need for consideration of a revaluation as required by law. After a discussion was held regarding the relative merits of completing the revaluation in 2024 or 2025, the revaluation was approved to be completed in 2025 on a motion by Manering, second Werner.

The Azevedo Lot Consolidation and CSM, on Prairie Water Court was approved as presented after a short discussion, under the condition that the CSM be recorded with the restriction that there be no further land division, on a motion by Pichette, second Manering.

Grosskopf requested that the Board consider amendments to the WWDDVS Operating Agreement, which controls the operation of the Waunakee Area EMS Service. As Chair of the commission, Grosskopf described the changes, all of which were adopted unanimously by the Commissioners from each of the six municipalities. Resolution 24-04 approving the Amended Agreement as presented, was adopted on a motion by Manering, second Trotter.

Grosskopf reported on items before the plan commissions and committees. Then Cuccia updated the Board on Waunakee Fire and Pichette on Middleton Fire. The Audit Committee recommended payment of the bills as presented by Grosskopf.

Under Administrative Matters, Grosskopf asked for the Town's position relative to paying for vehicle damage from "potholes. The vehicle damage claim was denied. Grosskopf then asked about a family who moved to Westport with four dogs. While the Board did not amend the ordinance to allow for more than three dogs, Grosskopf was instructed to work with the new residents to find a short-term solution to their problem. Grosskopf also reported on his meeting with the Waunakee Area Public Arts Commission, and informed the Board that a part time employee was added to assist during the upcoming election and possibly beyond.

Under Miscellaneous Matters, the Board was reminded that Gary Becker will appear at the March 4, 2024, Board meeting to introduce himself, and to discuss his potential involvement as Westport's professional planner.

Current bills were paid as presented by Grosskopf and recommended by the Audit Committee, on a motion by Cuccia, second Trotter.

Motion to adjourn motion by Werner, second Manering.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 PM.

Dean A. Grosskopf Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer