

TOWN OF OCONOMOWOC

PLAN COMMISSION

AUGUST 16, 2010

Present: Chairman Kenneth Runyard, Commissioners Robert Peregrine, Richard Garvey, James Navin, Janis Husak, Terry Largent, Catherine Balthazor, Town Planner Jeffrey Herrmann, approximately 25 citizens.

Chairman Runyard called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Approve minutes for August 10, 2010 Special Plan Commission meeting.

Peregrine moved to approve the minutes as printed. Seconded by Largent. Carried unanimously.

2. Public Comments

Toni Coppinger, N52 W53147 W. Lake Dr. She has concerns about Tom Foolery's. A group of neighbors is with her, expressing the same concerns. She says it is now a night club. The patrons are very disruptive; the noise is excessive, the police are called every weekend, it is impossible to sleep because of the loud music, bar patron's cars are parked everywhere so that residents are not able to park on the street. Drunkenness is a problem.

Bret Riley, first house on Road B. He reiterates the same issues. He would like the bar to be held to its Plan of Operation.

Pat Johnson, N2 W35098 Lake Dr. He would like the Plan of Operation to be enforced. He is also concerned about parking. He feels it is not safe when backing out of his driveway because of cars parked too close to his driveway. He provided a list of suggestions which are made a part of these minutes. He has been the object of vandalism. Beer bottles and cans are strewn around. Public urination is also a problem.

Sue Nash, N52 W35045 Lake Dr. She does not hear the noise. No vandalism. She believes they did a good job in remodeling. She lives in the first house across the channel.

Resident, W351 N52A Road C. He agrees with everyone. He has almost been hit when he exits his driveway because of a car parked so close to his driveway.

John 35345 Peterson Dr., co-owner with Pat Johnson. He asked how close to a property can you park on a street? Where is the right-of-way? Can I park on the right-of-way? He was informed that the only sure way of determining the right-of-way would be by survey.

Mike Todd, N52 W35098 Upper lake Dr. He states that they did a good job of remodeling. He is very familiar with bars in Milwaukee and says Milwaukee bars police their own bars and this would alleviate a lot of problems. People are in the middle of the road, very drunk. He also is kept awake

Chief Wallis: He stated that these are problems that occur in many bars . He explained how his officers handles these problems. He worked until 3:30 a.m. on a Friday night so he could see for himself. He stated there is no solution for stupidity. Many open intoxicants came from people arriving at the bar before they entered. Drunken people come to the bar from their boats. If the problems continue he will station a squad in the parking lot and try to take care of problems as they occur. The chief will meet with the owners and try to solve some of these problems.

Peregrine asked the chief to give a report to Jeff after his meeting with the owners.

3. Consider and Act on Site Plan/Plan of Operation for Verizon Wireless – W359 N5920 Brown Street

Mike Herro appeared with Chad and Andrea Anderson, owners of a cell phone store and indirect agent for Verizon Wireless. The sign will be 5 ft x 4 ft, 20 square feet, and will be back lilt. Peregrine moved to approve the Site Plan/Plan of Operation for Verizon Wireless pursuant to the Planner's report of August 11, 2010. Seconded by Navin. Carried unanimously.

4. Discussion and Update on Tom Foolery's Liquid Therapy – N52 W35092 W. Lake Drive

Jeff will write a letter to Tom Foolery's citing whatever has not been done according to the Plan of Operation, with a copy to Waukesha County. Garvey stated that in some Plans of Operation the owners would be called to appear if the noise became an issue. Peregrine asked for a legal opinion as to whether it would be legal to close off the deck exit, possibly using it only as an emergency exit. Also to check on the capacity.

This matter will be tabled pending the report from Chief Wallis. The neighbors will be notified of the next meeting when the owners of Tom Foolery's will be present.

5. Consider and act on September Plan Commission meeting.

The next Plan Commission meeting will be September 20 unless notified otherwise by Jeff.

6. Adjourn

Navin moved to adjourn. Seconded by Peregrine. Carried unanimously. Adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Callen, Recording Secretary