## TOWN OF OCONOMOWOC PLAN COMMISSION MEETING

## **January 16, 2012**

Chairman Kenneth Runyard opened the public hearing at 7:00 PM and read the notice to adjourn the public hearing to consider the Conditional Use Request of the Town of Oconomowoc, W359N6812 Brown Street for Land Altering Activities in conjunction with the removal of the Monterey Mill Dam and replacement of the Mill Street Bridge. The property is located at the intersection of Mill Street and the Ashippun River. Administrator/Planner Jeff Herrmann stated that the public hearing should be adjourned to February 6, 2013 at 7:00 PM. Commissioner Navin made a motion to adjourn the public hearing to February 6, 2012 at 7:00 PM. Commissioner Peregrine seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote, and closed the hearing at 7:01 PM.

Chairman Runyard opened the public hearing at 7:01 PM and read the notice to consider the request of Roberta McDowell, N54 W37039 Yale Street, Oconomowoc, to operate a Hobby Kennel with a maximum of four (4) dogs for the purpose of personal pets. Roberta McDowall stated that they currently own 4 dogs, 2 miniature dachshunds, 1 cocker spaniel and 1 chorkie. The animals age range from 5 to 10 years old. Ms. McDowall stated that they have no intention of replacing the dogs once they become deceased. They are house dogs and will not be placing any outside structures to house them. Clerk/Treasurer Lesser read two letters received at the Town Hall, one in favor of the issuance of the license and one against. Resident Todd Weber wanted clarification on the hobby kennel license, his understanding was that it would be a commercial venture. Administrator/Planner Herrmann explained that it is not a commercial venture, but just that it's a variance request to exceed the number of allowable dogs. Commissioner Garvey stated that maybe the ordinance should be re-wrote to give more clarification as to what the hobby kennel license actually is. Chairman Runyard closed the public hearing at 7:12 PM.

## **AGENDA**

Chairman Runyard opened the plan commission meeting at 7:12 PM. Commissioner's present included James Navin, Richard Garvey, Robert Peregrine, Terry Largent, and Cathy Balthazor. Absent was Jan Husak. Also in attendance were Administrator/Planner Herrmann, Clerk/Treasurer Lesser, and Office Assistant Lori Opitz. See attached sign-in sheet for additional attendees.

- 1. Approve Minutes for December 19, 2011 Town Plan Commission Meeting: Commissioner Peregrine made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Commissioner Navin seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
- 2. Public Comments: John Jorgensen; W340N6331 Breezy Pint Road. Mr. Jorgensen was concerned about his neighbor Brice Smith who obtained a fence variance in October was placing the fence on the lot line, and how was Mr. Smith to maintain the fence without

- stepping onto his property, he also asked if it was illegal for Mr. Smith to do so without his permission. Administrator/Planner Herrmann stated that he would look into the issue and notify Chief Wallis.
- 3. Consider and Act on Hobby Kennel Permit with a maximum of four (4) dogs for Roberta McDowell N54 W37039 Yale Street: Commissioner Peregrine made a motion to approve the hobby kennel variance for Robert McDowall with the understanding that there will be no kennel outside for housing. Commissioner Garvey seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
- 4. Consider and Act on Certified Survey Map for Ken Witzig & Mike McGarry, W352 N6456 Road J and W352 N6464 Road J: Mr. Witzig explained that he is just transferring a portion of his property to his neighbor Mike McGarry. Commissioner Peregrine asked if Mr. Witzig had read the planner's report, and Mr. Witzig stated that he had and that he had no questions. Commissioner Peregrine made a motion to approve the certified survey map for Ken Witzig and Mike McGarry according to the planner's report. Commissioner Navin seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. Administrator/Planner Herrmann stated that the Town Board will have this item on the February 6, 2012 agenda for consideration.
- 5. Consider and Act on Site Plan/Plan of Operation for Bruce Hertig, W306 S3059 Oak Street, for Personal and Commercial Storage on Property owned by G. Eiken, Inc. and located at N58 W39835 Industrial Drive: Mr. Hertig submitted a detailed plan to the Commissioner's explaining his operation. Mr. Hertig explained that he has an accepted offer to purchase the property. Mr. Hertig explained that he is retired and is looking for a new venture; his intention is to offer a place to store vehicles in a heated facility for car enthusiasts and would limit it to 15 cars maximum. Commissioner Peregrine made a motion to approve the site plan/plan of operation subject to the Planner's report. Commissioner Garvey seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
- 6. Adjourn: On a motion made by Commissioner Navin and seconded by Commissioner Peregrine the meeting was adjourned at 7:31 PM by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Ann Lesser, WCMC