

TOWN OF MEDARY PLAN COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

November 23, 2010 – 7:01 PM

TOWN OF MEDARY TOWN HALL

Members Present: John Young, R W Peters, Sidney Eldridge, Robert Kaplan, Mike Weibel.

Others Present: Robert Keil, Mike Brown, Jean Stangl

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM by Chairman John Young. Let the record show that this meeting was called in full compliance with the requirements of the Wisconsin open meetings law. A quorum of the Commission was present.

Motion - Kaplan/Peters to approve the minute of the Nov. 2, 2010 Medary Plan Commission meeting. All Aye.

Chairman John Young introduces the Knights of Columbus rezone request for discussion and turns the chair over to Mike Weibel.

Mr. Young notes that the Knights of Columbus property is for sale and that Mike Brown & Steve Eide are interested in the purchase of the property. Mr. Young explains that the current use of the property by the Knights of Columbus is fine but that a new owner needs to rezone the property to Commercial "B" in order to continue the Bar/Restaurant use. Mr. Young notes that a notice of this meeting was sent to adjacent property owners within 300-ft.

Mr. Mike Brown appeared at the meeting stating that the property would be extensively remodeled inside and that they intend to "key" in on the food aspect of the business and continue the bar business also. Mr. Brown stated they anticipate about 25 employees and that he has been in the business for 25+ years. The current liquor license would be transferred to the new owners.

Discussion by the Commission regarding what commercial uses are allowed in Commercial District "B". Some uses may not be appropriate for this site. Discussion by Commission on possible recommendation for "Conditional Zoning" to allow current bar and restaurant use. Mr. Brown states that he would be concerned that this may cause a problem with his lender if the use of the property is too restricted. Mr. Young will send a copy of the current zoning ordinance section Commercial District "B" to Commission members for review.

The Plan Commission determined after review of the Town Comprehensive Plan that a commercial use in this area would be consistent with the "mixed use" land use designation for this property.

Motion by Kaplan/Eldridge to approve Conditional Commercial “B” zoning with specific conditions to be determined at a Plan Commission meeting on Dec. 14, 2010. Motion Approved 4 Aye, 0 No 1 Abstain (Young)

Mike Weibel turns the Chair back to John Young for the balance of the meeting.

The Plan Commission discussed the issue of open burning in Mobile Home Parks. Commission could not locate a current copy of the Town’s Mobile Home Court Ordinance.

Motion Young/Kaplan to proceed with establishing a draft Mobile Home Ordinance to include provisions for open burning in line with recommendations from Shelby Fire Chief Kemp. This matter to be referred to MRRPC for research and development. All Aye

The Commission reviewed the new procedures from LaCrosse County Zoning regarding applications for rezones and conditional uses. Applicants will need a signature from the Town on the form stating that they have met with the Town on the matter before the application will be accepted at the County level.

Old Business: Town Policy on billing for fire calls. Matter will be placed on the agenda for the Dec. 14, 2010 meeting. Plan Commission needs to draft an ordinance to authorize the charges and recommend to Town Board for action.

New Business: No action

Motion by Young/Peters to adjourn the meeting. All members voting aye.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:12 PM.

Minutes by Mike Weibel