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MINUTES SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING: NOVEMBER 30, 2004

The chairman noted that this was a duly called meeting in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law.

1. Roll Call: Jim Wendt, Peggy Nimz, Ted Ritter, Ed Odette, Tom Martens, Val Schuettner. Ms. McConnell was absent.

2. Informational Items for Consideration:

2A. Tax Bond Resolution: Ms. Schuettner proposed that the town board adopt a resolution whereby a tax bond would not have to be purchased each year. Most of the other towns in the county have adopted such a resolution. Mr. Ritter was concerned that in the event the town treasurer did not make the payments to the county, that the town's taxpayers would be responsible. The board suggested that we purchase the tax bond at least for this year. The resolution could be discussed and reviewed for next year.

2B. County Rezoning: Steve Favorite was present representing Ruth Consoer and Eliason & Eliason. Ms. Consoer and Eliason & Eliason are requesting that the county rezone approximately 9.3 acres in Sec. 34 from General Business and Recreation to Community Business. As it is zoned now, lot sizes have a minimum requirement of 1.5 acres with a 15-foot setback. Under Community Business, the requirement would be 20,000 square feet with a zero foot setback. Mr. Ritter stated that the town board members had received a letter from a concerned property owner stating that under the new zoning there would be a possibility of too many residences on the property. There will be a Public Hearing on December 10, 2004 at 9:00 A.M. concerning the matter. Mr. Ritter wanted to know how the town board was going to respond to the letter from the concerned citizens. He stated that their letter asked that the town board take some kind of action at the Public Hearing. Mr. Favorite stated that the county is also looking for some direction from the town board. Mr. Favorite also stated that he would be shocked if the town board did not go along with the proposal since the St. Germain Zoning Ordinance already has the 20,000 square foot requirement for this property. Mr. Ritter asked for a special meeting to discuss how to respond to the property owners' request. Mr. Wendt stated that he would write a letter to the property owners and to the county supporting the zoning change. Mr. Ritter stated that he wanted it stated in the letter that the town board was not in unanimous agreement.

3. Action Items (Approve, Disapprove, Table)

3A. Absent town board member: Mr. Wendt stated that as far as he knew Ms. McConnell has not contacted any member of the town board concerning what her plans might be. Mr. Wendt had contacted the Wisconsin Towns Association. He was referred to Sec. 17 of the Wisconsin Statutes. Motion Odette seconded Nimz that Ms. McConnell's pay be withheld and that Mr. Wendt write a letter to Ms. McConnell requesting to know what her plans are. And, that if Ms. McConnell does not have a favorable response, the town board would do whatever the law requires. Approved.

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4. Citizens Concerns:

4A. Discharge of firearms: Tim Ebert asked that town board consider replacing the No Hunting in Subdivision signs. It will be placed on the December agenda as a discussion item.

5. Board Concerns: There were no board concerns.

6. Adjournment: Motion Odette seconded Nimz that the meeting be adjourned. Approved. Meeting adjourned 9:17 p.m.

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