

Springfield Town Hall
Springfield Town Plan Commission Meeting
Monday, October 5, 2015

Call to Order, Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chair Jeff Endres. Present were: Ron Koci, Steve Resan, Bill Acker, Elliott Long, Scott Laufenberg and Board Representative Jim Pulvermacher, and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Jan Barman. Also present: Marilyn Graves, Alan Orenberg, Alan Habermehl, and Matt Speer, Associated Housewrights. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Confirmation of Compliance with Open Meetings Law

Deputy Clerk Barman reported that notice of this meeting was met by posting at the Town Hall, corner of CTH K and Church Roads, Schneider Road Business Center on Schneider Rd, the website and the meeting is being recorded.

Approval of Minutes from September 14, 2015 Meeting

Motion (Pulvermacher/Long) to approve the September 14, 2015 minutes. Motion carried, 7 – 0.

Public Comment Time: None

Tatyana Budker, 5141 Sunrise Ridge Trl, Sec. 31, Associated Housewrights, Matt Speer, agent, rezone 1 acre lot from R-1 to R-3 to meet setback regulations for addition to home.

This is a revisit from last meeting. No new information from Agent, Matt Speer. A site visit was held on Saturday, October 3rd with the commission, homeowner and Julie from Associated Housewrights. Bill and Ron visited the site at a different time. Jim did not have a chance to visit the site.

The biggest concern was the drain field, which would have to be moved for this addition, where would it get moved to? All around are trees that will probably have to be removed and that was one of reason the homeowner did not want to do this addition at any other part of the house.

Jeff asked the commissioners for their individual comments:

Bill – Drain field/vent was his major concern. Did not think the view change would be an issue.

Elliott – Addition wouldn't block the view, but would like to hear from a larger group.

Jim – County only recommends rezones that they think will go through. Could there be screening on the side towards the neighbor? Matt – homeowner would be willing to use obscure glass on that side of the house for privacy both in and out.

Ron – Could the addition be angled to fit within the trees, maybe 30 degrees and add privacy windows?

Matt Speer – Roof planes need to be angled so that it fits with the architecture of the house. Angling the addition would not capture the solar benefit. Asked about amount and type of glazing for privacy windows.

Scott – Change design.

Steve – Owner not thrilled with changing layout according to what she said at site visit.

Jeff – Is there adequate septic system for addition and drain field area, suggested tabling to check this out. Also, an outbuilding could be within 4' of the rear setback line which could include a pool.

Bill – Would like to see the neighbors talk to Ms Budker about this issue. Neighbors feel it is beyond that at this point.

Input from audience:

Marilyn Graves – Strongly opposes this as it brings it closer to her home.

Alan Orenberg – Appreciates Bill's suggestion to talk to her – they have always been cordial.

Alan Habermehl – Stay within the setback regulations as is, no rezone.

Motion (Pulvermacher/Resan) to table until data for septic system alternate site can be established. Motion carried, 7 – 0.

Town Comprehensive Plan Update

We did not have any new information at this time.

Motion (Laufenberg/Koci) to table. Motion carried, 7 – 0.

Communications/Announcements

Jan mentioned the Pape Park dedication on Sunday and hoped the commissioners could attend, along with their families. Also, handed out vouchers.

Elliott handed out a power point on CAFO's and proceeded to speak on this issue of what he sees as a major problem in Springfield.

Jeff – there is a diverse population and wondered about the communication gap, need to showcase our town and explain what is being done within the town and what they are doing in the future. For example: Profile businesses, manufacturing, farm community, tree farmer share what they are doing to improve their operations. Yahara Pride is an example of changes that some farmers are making to better our environment.

Ron- This issue is not for the Plan Commission. If the Town Board wants to spend Town money on forming a subcommittee to study some of the issues that Elliott has, that will be up to them.

Jim – Would like to see more information like this in the newsletter.

Jeff – The County still has not adopted the State Siting Legislature, so that is not being implemented in the County and therefore, not in the Town.

Adjourn

Motion (Laufenberg/Koci) to adjourn at 8:37 p.m. Motion carried, 7 – 0.

Jan Barman
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer