

**Town of Somerset  
Parks, Recreation & Planning Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, October 18, 2017**

**Call to Order & Roll Call:** Chairman Schachtner called the Parks, Rec & Planning Commission meeting to order at 7:00 pm. A quorum was established with the following members present: Bill Lawson, Jeri Koester, Joe Jahnke, Larry Rauch, Tabatha Hansen and Ed Schachtner.

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Rauch, seconded by Jahnke to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

**Public Input:** None.

**Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Rauch, seconded by Lawson to approve the September 20, 2017 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

**Land Division: Dennis Benson/Doug Zahler Auth Consulting & Associates 4 Lot Minor Subdivision off 55th Street CONCEPT:** 10 years ago, Dennis Benson began the process of a 9 lot subdivision but did not go forward with the plat. Benson is now submitting an application for a 4 lot minor subdivision with the lots being 7.8 acres, 10.1 acres, 10.00 acres and 11.1 acres. Benson stated he is respectful of the neighborhood and Pine Lake, and feels the four lots would be less disruptive than 10 lots. The costs of the road construction for 9 lots would be approximately \$200,000 and with the four lots there would be a lot less public roadway constructed. The road can't continue through to the south due to the lake. Zahler stated the county may take issue with the length of the dead-end road being over 1000' but 55<sup>th</sup> Street is currently 1320'. Concern over road connectivity and permanent dead-end cul-de-sacs. There was discussion about the potentiality of splitting the four lots down and having more lots accessing the cul-de-sac, especially the 7.8 acre lot. This is a concept map and the county will be sending their comments to the Town soon. Schachtner explained the new access road would need to be built to Town specs, with blacktop, prior to the Town accepting it as a public road. Benson stated he'd expect the Town to pave the other section of 55<sup>th</sup> Street that is currently gravel. Schachtner replied as the budget allows, road paving gets done.

**Parks:** No business.

**Old Business:** No business.

**New Business:** Discussion on St. Croix County Zoning Ordinance Cluster Group meeting and ideas- what would the Town like to change and what the Town would like to see stay the same.

**Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Jeri Koester, Clerk