

Town of Saratoga Public Hearing & Plan Commission

September 23, 2015

Plan Commission Members	
Dan Forbes, Chair	Dave Barth
Gordon Wipperfurth, Co-chair,	Sarajane Snyder; Excused
Tom Grygo, Secretary	Lorelei Fuehrer Alternate , Excused
Public Present	
James Krutza	
Bailey Bushman, representing Bushman Signs	
Randy Knuth	
Three others	

Public Hearing

Dan Forbes opened the public hearing regarding the request of James Krutza, 5821 Spruce Ave., Wisconsin Rapids, WI, for a CUP per Zoning Ordinance 10-17-12 to allow a 42' x 64' detached heated building for a home based occupation at 5821 Spruce Ave. The public hearing was officially noticed.

Tim Brost, 5750 Pine Ridge Trl. said he is an adjacent property owner and is concerned about his future property values. Krutza said the proposed building would not be visible from Brost's property. Brost commented about items being stored outside which were visible from his property. He also claimed Krutza had placed sprinkler pipe and other items on his property, which apparently have since been removed. Krutza said items being stored outside would be moved into the proposed building. Brost said he is not opposed to the new building.

Alan Anhalt, 5721 Spruce Ave. commented about the location of the proposed building as being close to the lot line. He would prefer the building moved about 30+feet from the lot line. Krutza said he would move the building further from the lot line.

Hearing no other questions or comments Dan Forbes closed the public hearing at 6:55

Plan Commission

Dan Forbes opened the meeting of the Town of Saratoga Plan Commission at 6:56 P.M. on September 23, 2015 in the Saratoga Town Hall. The meeting was officially noticed.

Motion by Barth, to accept the minutes of August 8, 2015, second by Wipperfurth, motion approved.

Wipperfurth recommended having Krutza move the building further from the lot line and screen it from view with pines. Krutza commented he would comply with this request.

Motion by Barth recommending the Town Board approve an amended CUP request for Krutza, with the building located further from the west lot line and screened, second by Wipperfurth, motion approved.

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Forbes said the business has operated at 8641 Hwy 13 South for about one month. Margret Meyer, owner, presented a site plan to the Town board at the last meeting. Initially ~~Fuehrer~~ Meyer had mistakenly told Meyer Fuehrer the property was zoned commercial, it is zoned rural residential. (Amended 10-14-15) Meyer completed an application for a business permit from the Town and proceeded to open the business. A discussion followed concerning the business permit, possible CUP, and rezoning of the property. Barth asked if DOT has approved the driveway as commercial. The matter will be returned to the Town Board for further review. Meyer was not present.

Schierl Tire Sign Request

Wipperfurth asked Bushman if the signs are a standard size. Bushman said the signs are all custom and could be reduced in size. She will redesign the sign to comply with the 100 sq. ft. as per the sign ordinance.

Randy Knuth

Forbes asked if Knuth was selling his property on Hwy 73 or planned to store explosives on the property. Knuth said he was selling the property. He said Frank Camanarata has a option to purchase the property upon the condition the property is rezoned and storage of explosives permitted. Forbes outlined the steps necessary to rezone property in the Town. The Plan Commission still needs additional information from Camanarata. Currently Camanarata is storing explosives at 9051 State Hwy 13 S.

Grygo handed out a draft revision of section 5.3 Table 2 of the Sign Ordinance. A discussion followed.

Grygo presented a summary of revisions to the Zoning Ordinance. Most of the written ordinance is complete. The next step is revising the map.

Wipperfurth presented a draft ordinance regarding short term vacation rentals. He said there is no problem now in the Town; however, the potential exists with expanding recreation opportunities. He noted, there have been problems with this type of rental property on Petenwell Lake. He will prepare another draft including forms and fees for the next meeting.

The next meeting of the Plan Commission will be October 14, 2015 at 6:30 at the Town Hall.

Motion by Wipperfurth to adjourn, second by Barth, meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.