

WINNEBAGO COUNTY
PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE
PUBLIC HEARING
October 25, 2011
6:30 P.M.
Lounge Room - Courthouse

PRESENT: Supervisors Pat Brennand, Chairman, Joanne Sievert, Jeanette Diakoff, Tom Egan, Claud Thomson, Brian P. O'Rourke, Associate Planner, Karen Frederick, Court Reporter.

The meeting was called to order by P. Brennand, Chairperson, at 6:30 P.M.

1. Touchmark on West Prospect LLC, 2601 Touchmark Dr, Town of Menasha – Conditional Use Permit.

Applicant is requesting an amendment to a previously granted Conditional Use Permit for development of a retirement community and a private road.

Joseph Billig, was sworn in and explained the request. He indicated that there will be the same number of units as the original proposal, only in different locations, which is what prompted the need for a new conditional use permit. He also stated that Touchmark is the owner of all units, and sell them as "life leases".

George Dearborn, Town of Menasha Community Development Director, was sworn in. He stated the fire and police departments did not have an issue with the development only having one entrance and exit. He also stated that the Town of Menasha is recommending approval, with findings.

No further testimony was given.

2. Ament Investments, Across from 200 County Rd CB, Town of Neenah – Conditional Use Permit.

Applicant is requesting a Conditional Use Permit to store recreational vehicles in an outside storage yard.

James Tuscher was sworn in and explained the request. He stated the Town had limited the request to sixty units of outside storage area.

Harrison Sturgis Jr., 167 Rockwood Ln, was sworn in. He submitted a written statement for the record, which stated his opposition to the proposal. He also stated that he assumes the Committee would grant the request, and hopes that screening is required.

J. Tuscher stated that he intends on screening the area somewhat, but would be opposed to using a fence to enclose the entire area as he feels that creates more problems than it solves.

J. Sievert asked Mr. Tuscher if he would be willing to use a berm as part of the screening, which he indicated he would be.

B. O'Rourke read the resolution with findings and conditions from the Town of Neenah, which recommended approval.

No further testimony was given.

3. Jeffrey Sauerberg, 6188 Clark Point Rd, Town of Winneconne – Conditional Use Permit.

Applicant is requesting a Conditional Use Permit to erect solar panels which will be connected to the grid in a residential district.

Jeff Sauerberg was sworn in and explained the proposal. He stated that the proposed solar panel project would be 27 ft. long, 26 ft. wide, 14 ft. high in the front with a 30 degree pitch, which would result in an overall height of 25 ft.

J. Sievert Mr. Sauerberg if he intended on having people come to his property to view the project.

Mr. Sauerberg stated that he will be using a website which will have photos and technical details posted, but he will not provide his address or have anyone on-site the property.

C. Thomson asked if there would be any electrical equipment for the project that would create noise issues.

Mr. Sauerberg stated that the D/C convertor being used for the project did not make any noise.

G. Dearborn stated that he can't think of any reason why the Committee should deny the request, as there are numerous solar panels located in the Town of Menasha.

B. O'Rourke read the resolution with findings from the Town of Winneconne, which recommended approval.

No further testimony was given.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by T. Egan. Seconded by J. Sievert. Motion carried 5-0.
Meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian P. O'Rourke, AICP
Recording Secretary