Town of Verona Plan Commission Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 29, 2013 6:30 pm Town of Verona Hall 335 North Nine Mound Rd.

Members Present: Manfred Enburg, Ron Melitsoff, Mark Geller Absent: Deb Paul Staff: Amanda Arnold and John Wright Also Present: None

1. CALL TO ORDER/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair called meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. Motion by Melitsoff/second by Geller to approve the agenda.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

3. DISCUSSION OF DRIVEWAY ORDINANCE

Amanda explained that John Wright has been working on an update to the driveway ordinance, and staff would like to identify issues that may have been of concern to the Plan Commission in the past. Mark Geller went on to explain that an appeal of the conditions of a particular driveway permit will be discussed at the next Board meeting, so issues have come to his attention because of that appeal.

The Commissioners came to a consensus that they didn't want to over-regulate, but assuring access for emergency vehicles was a priority. There was a discussion about a minimum driveway width. Mark Geller suggested that a minimum width might be tied to the length of the drive because with a short drive access wouldn't be such an issue.

Manfred suggested that the distance between drives needs to be evaluated and spelled out in the ordinance. Amanda suggested that rules for residential development should be different than those for commercial.

4, PLANNER/ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Update on Sweeny comp plan amendment-Amanda reported that a Dane County hearing has been set for June 25th. She has heard from the City of Verona and the City of Madison planning staff and expects that they will comment on the removal of the neighborhood plan boundary.

Possible upcoming land use applications – Amanda reviewed some applications that may come before the next month.

5. CHAIR'S REPORT

Manfred Enburg reported on a City of Verona works session that he and Amanda attended. The primary topic was land use. A conversation followed about Epic and TIF impacts. The group also discussed the City of Verona ETJ area and possible exemptions from that.

6. MAPPING EXERCISE

Amanda showed a map of the existing commercial zoning. The Commission expressed interest in further defining "commercial". Wineries, camp grounds, and tourist farms were identified as possible good fits for the Town.

7. APPROVAL OF APRIL MINUTES

Motion by Melitsoff/second by Geller to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

8. CONFIRMATION OF NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting date was confirmed as June 27th. Amanda reported that depending on renovations at Town Hall, the meeting location may need to be moved.

9. AJOURNMENT

Motion by Geller/second by Melitsoff to adjourn. Motion carried at 8:30.

Amanda Arnold Planner/Administrator

Approved: