

TOWN OF SOMERS - PLANNING COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, March 21, 2024, 6:30pm



CALL TO ORDER: 6:35 pm Members present: Brad Pellissier, Adam VanWingerden, Bill Salka(via telephone), also present: Jennifer Roy, Staff Liaison
Absent: Jim MacFeat and Pat Pio.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Application #434: Mark Polek, 2 lot Re-subdivision for property located at 12 Hampden Road, Somers.

Attorney Andrew Urbanowicz, representing Mark Polek, addressed the commission. Attorney Urbanowicz explained the proposed 2-lot re-subdivision.

Jennifer Roy confirmed Jeff Bord, Engineering Consultant to the Town of Somers reviewed the plans with a few notes. Andrea Vitrano, Town Sanitarian, and North Central Conservation District also performed plan review.

Brad Pellissier mentioned his concern of the driveway length and requested that the site plan be reviewed by the Fire Chief. Ms. Roy confirmed that she will ask the Fire Chief to review.

Adam VanWingerden made a motion to accept the application and schedule a public hearing for Thursday, April 11, 2024 at 6:30pm. Bill Salka seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

2. Application #24-002: Somers Mountain Properties, LLC, 359 Mountain Road, Somers; seeking a Text Amendment to section 214-6.11 and 6.12 of the Somers Zoning Regulations, as they relate to Farm Wineries.

Mark Murdoch addressed the commission, explaining the proposed text amendment to the Farm Winery section of the Zoning Regulations. Mr. Murdoch explained that the proposed changes are very similar to the modifications that were just approved for their Special Use Permit, and that this will help clarify what can be done at the winery or similar businesses.

Discussion was held.

Adam VanWingerden made a motion to send a positive referral back to the Zoning Commission. Bill Salka seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

CRCOG Regional Planning Commission appointment. Brad Pellissier explained to the commission what this appointment would be, and the general commitment. Seeing that several members were absent from this meeting, they agreed to discuss this further at the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS - none

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: January 11, 2024. Adam VanWingerden made a motion to approve the minutes, with a correction to the date in the title of the minutes, to January 11, 2024. Bill Salka seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Adam VanWingerden made a motion to adjourn, Bill Salka seconded, all in favor, meeting adjourned at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer Roy

Minutes are not official until approved at a subsequent meeting.