

**TOWN OF SOMERS - ZONING COMMISSION**  
**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**  
**Thursday, February 15, 2024, 6:30pm**



CALL TO ORDER: 6:30pm Members present: Karl Walton, Chairman, Dan Fraro, Chris Locatelli, and Jim Formica. Also present: Jennifer Roy, Staff Liaison. Absent: Shane Manning and Howie Coro

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

Application #23-005: Hillsdale College, 732 Hall Hill Road, Somers.

Attorney George Schober present representing Hillsdale College. Labin Duke from Hillsdale College also present. Attorney Schober explained that Hillsdale College held the one time special event last August, as approved by the commission on original Special Use Permit, and there were no issues. This request is to allow this special event once a year.

Attorney Schober provided proof of mailing to abutters, as well as a copy of the original conditions of approval (Exhibit A).

**Public comments:**

Brent Monticue, 119 Colton Road, Somers – in favor.

Paul Salva, 17 Twinbrook Drive, Somers – in favor.

Chris Mozdzanowski, 7 Meadowbrook Drive, Somers – in favor.

Tom Skypek, 6 Winwood Circle, Somers – in favor.

Attorney Schober questioned Labin Duke, would the annual event be run the same as the special event was. Mr. Duke explained that Hillsdale College plans to host the annual events similar to the special event, private security, local EMS and Police, similar parking and shuttle plans, along with appropriate sanitary facilities.

Jim Formica made a motion to close the public hearing, Chris Locatelli seconded the motion, no further discussion, all in favor, motion carried.

**DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE DECISION:**

Application #23-005: Hillsdale College, 732 Hall Hill Road, Somers.

Karl Walton asked the commission members if they have anything they'd like to discuss. A brief discussion was held.

Jim Formica made a motion to approve application #23-005 Hillsdale College, 732 Hall Hill Road, Somers seeking a modification of the Special Use permit condition #4, to allow Hillsdale College to hold one special event at the Blake Center each year, complying with all existing requirements set forth in Condition of approval #4. Chris Locatelli seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Jim Formica made a motion to table new business, Dan Fraro seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

1. Annual meeting:
  - a. Election of officers
  - b. Review of by-laws

ADJOURNMENT: Jim Formica made a motion to adjourn, Chris Locatelli seconded, all in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jennifer Roy

***\*\*MINUTES ARE NOT OFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED A SUBSEQUENT MEETING\*\****