Minutes

Meeting of the Village of Spring Green Plan Commission And Joint Extraterritorial Zoning Committee Wednesday, August 19, 2020

Meeting held via Zoom & Teleconference due to COVID 19 Health Emergency 7:00 p.m.

- 1. Prem called meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. as a Meeting of the Spring Green Plan Commission and Joint Extraterritorial Zoning Committee.
 - Members present: Greg Prem (JEZC), Eugene Hausner, Ed Lilla (JEZC), Brad Hutnik (JEZC), Patrick Hagen, and Michael Broh. David Saperstein was absent.
 - Town JEZC members present: Fred Iausly, and Jason Falteisek. Irv Snyder was absent.. Others present: Wendy Crary, and Gary Henshue.
- 2. Crary appointed minute taker.
- 3. Motion by Hausner, second by Iausly, to approve meeting agenda. Motion passed with all in favor.
- 4. Approve minutes from the July 15, 2020 Spring Green Plan Commission and Downtown Design Committee Meeting. Motion by Hagen, second by Broh, to approve minutes from the July 15, 2020 Spring Green Plan Commission and Downtown Design Committee Meeting. Motion passed with all in favor.
- 5. Preliminary consultation with Gary Henshue regarding proposed communications tower on parcel #032-0937, located south of USH 14 along CTH G, Town of Spring Green. Gary Henshue informed all in attendance that he handles site acquisitions for Bug Tussle Wireless. Henshue continued by explaining that there were a number of potential sites and he sent forty-three different property owners letters inquiring about placement of a communications tower. Henshue said, "The data from the engineer's shows that the tower needs to be closer to town and we've been unable and unsuccessful to secure agreements with other property owners, Jerry Sprecher however is agreeable". Henshue informed everyone that the tower would provide internet service along with First Net emergency respondent coverage. The proposed tower would be a 250 foot self supported tower, no building will be necessary only an electrical panel and a 50 x 50 chain link security fence. Hausner asked, "What impact will the tower have on development of the property?" Henshue replied, "There are various differing answers, I cannot answer for certain as I am not a real estate expert". Hagen inquired about how much of an investment the tower is for Bug Tussle. Henshue said, "The cost is between \$225,000 and \$250,000, construction takes approximately 120 days". Prem asked about FFA lighting requirements. Henshue replied, "Typically only one at the top but FFA will determine exactly how many". Iausly asked about colocation. Henshue explained that there would be access for two additional carriers on the tower. Those in attendance discussed various items pertaining to the agreement with the property owner and potential for a removal bond. Lilla referenced his email submitted and suggested that a removal bond be contingent upon the Board of Zoning Appeals granting a variance for the height. Lilla also referenced information within his email regarding the frontage road and 66 foot right-of-way. The Plan Commission and JEZC discussed the need for future development information from the property owner. Iausly suggested that he & Greg Prem meet with the property owner to inquire about future development of the property and various questions concerning the tower. Crary will try to contact Jerry Sprecher to inform him that the Plan Commission & JEZC need additional information from him in regards to the property. No action necessary regarding this item.
- 6. Discussion and possible action regarding timeline for returning to in person Plan Commission and Joint Extraterritorial Zoning Committee Meetings. The Plan Commission and JEZC discussed continuing to hold meetings virtually. Crary expressed concerns about holding public hearings virtually. Iausly will inquire with Dane County representatives to find out if public hearings can be held virtually or if they are required to be in person. It was suggested that one of the park shelters may be an option should public hearings be required to be held in person. No action was necessary regarding this item.
- 7. General Public Comment: There was no general public comment at this time.
- 8. Adjourn. Motion by Iausly, second by Broh, to adjourn at 7:58 p.m. Motion passed with all in favor.