

Town of Brigham Town Board Meeting Minutes

The Town of Brigham Town Board met on Wednesday, March 8, 2017 at 6:30 PM in the Barneveld-Brigham Municipal Building meeting room in Barneveld Wisconsin.

Chair Jason Carden called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Besides Chair Carden – also attending were: Supervisor Jeff Zander. Supervisor Scott Gaffney and Clerk/Treasurer Audrey Rue were not in attendance. In addition, attendance included: Mary Davis, Jerry Davis, Will Hodgson, Bug Tussel Representative, Greg Oimoen, Steve Thoni, Greg Hilden, Tim Liebmann, Amy Hodgson, Duane Elfering and Kyle Thompson.

The Public Notice was approved on motion by Supervisor Zander, seconded by Chair Carden and Carried.

The February 8th meeting minutes were approved as amended on motion by Chair Carden seconded by Supervisor Zander and Carried.

Public Comments:

Mary Davis commented the Comprehensive Plan was not followed exactly and Greg Hilden commented Southwest Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission didn't present \$500 worth of data at the meeting.

Application of Tim & Terri Liebmann for a Driveway variance off West Blue Mounds Road:

Comments: None

Mr. Liebmann requested a variance to Town Ordinance 3.01 F (16) which states "Driveways and Property Accesses shall not enter a public road closer than 300 feet from an intersection on the same side of the road."

Facts of the application: Mr. Liebmann owns a 40 acre parcel that is fronted by County K and West Blue Mounds Road. However, this property only extends approximately 250 feet from the northern intersection of those roads. Mr. Liebmann applied to Iowa County for a driveway permit to come off from County K and was told that it was approvable. However, given the fact that traffic volume on County K is much higher, speeds on County K are much higher, and also that the driveway would need to parallel County K for some distance, Highway Commissioner Craig Hardy wrote the attached letter in support of Mr. Liebmann's variance to instead come off West Blue Mounds Road.

The Town Board on March 8th approved the variance taking the following items into consideration:

- 1) The attached letter from Mr. Hardy stating that a variance to our ordinances was favorable over a driveway coming off County K for the safety reasons stated above.

- 2) At this location, traffic in both directions on West Blue Mounds Road is greatly reduced. Since West Blue Mounds Road ends at a stop sign at the intersection, traffic going north is slowing down in order to stop. Traffic turning off County K onto West Blue Mounds Road has not yet accelerated.
- 3) Given the curvature of the road, a location closer than the required 300 feet actually results in better visibility for someone pulling out of the proposed driveway to see traffic in the intersection.
- 4) The variance does not create substantial detriment to adjacent property.
- 5) The variance is not contrary to the spirit, purpose, and intent of the regulations and is not contrary to the public interest.
- 6) The specific condition that exists was not the result of any action of the applicant (i.e. Mr. Liebmann did not create the property line less than 300 feet from the intersection).

Motion made by Supervisor Zander to approve a variance off West Blue Mounds Road for a driveway for Tim & Terri Liebmann. Chair Carden and Plan Commission Chair Steve Thoni shall approve the exact location of the driveway. Motion seconded by Chair Carden.

Application of Bug Tussel Wireless (Agent; Darren Snodgrass) for a driveway to access a telecommunications facility from an existing driveway in Dane County on to the property of Greg Oimoen:

Comments: None

Plan Commission had recommended approval. Motion made by Supervisor Zander to approve the application of Bug Tussel Wireless (Agent; Darren Snodgrass) for a driveway to access a telecommunications facility from an existing driveway in Dane County on to the property of Greg Oimoen. Motion seconded by Chair Carden. Motion carried 2-0.

Application of William & Amy Hodgson to rezone a minimum of 5 acres from A1 to AR1 on the Mark & Bonnie Hodgson farm, to obtain approval for a multi-user driveway off Hwy 18-151 and to have the building site approved for a new home:

Comments: None

Motion made by Supervisor Zander to approve the application of William & Amy Hodgson to rezone a minimum of 5 acres from A1 to AR1 on the Mark & Bonnie Hodgson farm, to obtain approval for a multi-user driveway off Hwy 18-151 and to have

the building site approved for a new home. Motion was seconded by Chair Carden and Carried.

Broadband Forward Ordinance: The ordinance was reviewed by the Board.

Comments: Ordinance is amended to say “refer to fee schedule”.

A motion was made by Supervisor Zander to approve the ordinance. Motion seconded by Chair Carden.

Motion Carried 2-0.

Ordinance to prohibit dumping snow in town right of way and/or town roads:

Motion made by Supervisor Zander to approve this ordinance. Motion seconded by Chair Carden. Motion Carried 2 – 0.

Vouchers: Chair Carden moved to approve payment of all vouchers. Motion seconded by Supervisor Zander and Carried.

Future Agendas:

Comprehensive Plan – SWWRPC

Broadband Improvement

Motion made by Supervisor Zander to **adjourn** at 7:35 PM. Motion seconded by Chair Carden and Carried.