

Public Hearing Minutes
Monday, August 18, 2014 at the Rockland Town Hall
Called to order by Chairman Cashman at 6:45 p.m.
Adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

The Clerk, Treasurer, Chariman Cashman and Supervisor Van Vonderen were present together with Edwin Luebke & Christopher Gagnon. Supervisor Schwalbach was excused. Clerk Charette verified that the meeting was properly noticed. Chairman Cashman read the agenda and opened the record.

CONSIDER A REQUEST FROM APPLICANT, 3MBACK, LLC, (Matthew Giese, Owner), TO REZONE PARCEL R-296, 5338 HIGHWAY 57, DE PERE, WISCONSIN, FROM ESTATE RESIDENTIAL 5-ACRE (ER-5) TO COMMUNITY BUSINESS (B-2) DISTRICT

The Applicant did not appear.

PLANNING COMMISSION & ZONING ADMINISTRATOR RECOMMENDATION

Supervisor Van Vonderen reported that the Planning Commission met on July 15, 2014, to review this item. These minutes are herein incorporated by reference. At that meeting, the Planning Commission, by unanimous vote, recommended approval of the rezone of Parcel R-296, 3MBack LLC (Matthew Giese, Owner) from Estate Residential 5-Acre (ER-5) to Community Business (B-2) with the following conditions:

1. Midwest Chemical and Equipment will operate out of the home on the property. No chemicals will be on site. All chemicals will be direct shipped to customers.
2. The home on the property will serve as office operations and no one will live in the home.
3. Someday Farms, LLC. The granary will become a retail store and the out buildings and land will be used to support the retail store.

Supervisor Van Vonderen reported that the Planning Commission is currently working on an Agri-Business ordinance which will better address the combination agriculture and business companies that would like to conduct retail operations in the town. An additional recommendation from the Planning Commission is to preliminarily rezone Parcel R-296 into Community Business District with the intent to move that parcel into the Agri-Business District once that this new district is adopted and approved by the Board.

Supervisor Van Vonderen explained that 3MBack's intent is to sell honey and organic produce in the retail store. There will be animals located on the property with the intent to use the manure to fertilize the crops. The out buildings will be used to support the retail business.

PUBLIC INPUT

Motion by Chairman Cashman motioned to open the record to the public; seconded by Supervisor Van Vonderen. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote 2-0.

Edwin Luebke asked what the name of the chemical equipment company was. Chairman Cashman provided the name of the company. Supervisor Van Vonderen explained that this company direct ships the chemicals to farmers. No chemicals are stored on site.

CLOSED THE RECORD

M/M by Chairman Cashman to close the record; seconded by Supervisor Van Vonderen. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote 2-0.

ADJOURNMENT

M/M by Chairman Cashman to adjourn; seconded by Supervisor Van Vonderen. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Hearing adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

All minutes have been taken truthfully and honestly and to the best of my knowledge and ability.

Jann Charette
Town Clerk

Minutes approved as written / with corrections (**strike one**) by the Town Board on Monday, September 15, 2014.

Dennis J. Cashman
Town Chairman