

**VILLAGE OF DENMARK
SEXUAL OFFENDER RESIDENCE APPEAL BOARD
FEBRUARY 23, 2017 – MEETING MINUTES
APPROVED – OCTOBER 9, 2018**

1. Call to order / roll call

Chairman Bob McCabe called the meeting to order in the Village Hall located at 118 East Main Street, Denmark, Wisconsin, at 6:00 p.m. Committee members present: Chairman Bob McCabe, James Bomski, Laurel Towns, and Pam Watzka. Also present was Attorney Travis Schreurs. Committee members absent: Marty Brezinski and Kathy Stein. Village officials present: Officer Dan Delebreaux and Clerk Sherri Konkol.

2. Approval of minutes from 06/13/2016 meeting

James Bomski made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 13, 2016, meeting. Laurel Towns seconded the motion. All were in agreement. Motion carried.

3. Hearing on Cook appeal to reside at 576 Green Bay Road

Terry L. Cook appeared with his sons. He is requesting to move in with one of his sons who resides at 576 Green Bay Road. Laurel Towns made a motion to approve Mr. Cook's appeal. Pam Watzka seconded the motion. All were in agreement. Motion carried.

4. Hearing on Clark appeal to reside at 123 Main Street Upper West

Duane M. Clark appeared. He is requesting to move to 123 Main Street Upper West. Laurel Towns made a motion to approve Mr. Clark's appeal. James Bomski seconded the motion. All were in agreement. Motion carried.

5. Future agenda items

Comments:

On January 31, 2017, Chairman Bob McCabe met with Officers Dan Delebreaux and Jonathon Dzekute to discuss the Village's current ordinance (10-2008).

Future Agenda Items / Questions

Attorney Schreurs stated he thought it would be in the best interest of the Committee if Clerk Sherri Konkol were secretary for the Sexual Offender Residence Appeal Board. Chairman Bob McCabe had some concerns: As a Village employee, would there be a conflict of interest? Attorney Schreurs said no. As a Village employee, would she / could she be a voting member? Attorney Schreurs said he would look into this further.

Attorney Schreurs said some things we may want to consider (*and possibly include on the agenda*) are: residential history, treatment history, *input from the public (if anyone attends the meetings)*, input from the police department, input from Wisconsin Department of Corrections Sex Offender Registry (SORT) and Wisconsin Circuit Court Access (CCAP). He also thinks we may want to redo the current sexual offender application.

Question: Do the offenders notify the committee when they move out of town?

Answer: No.

Question: Should we do more to notify residents that a sexual offender may be moving near them (500 to 600 feet, for example)?

Answer: Officer Delebreaux says it is mandatory for certain offenders. He stated Suamico notifies residents in a 700-foot radius. Chairman Bob McCabe made a motion to forward this to the Village Board so they can set a policy regarding notification to residents. James Bomski seconded the motion. All were in agreement. Motion carried.

Question: What do we do if there are non-compliance issues?
Answer: We have not had any non-compliance issues in the past that we were made aware of; however, we feel there should be guidelines or have an ordinance that would allow the committee to rescind / revoke an offender's right to live in the Village (for example: giving false information, unacceptable behaviors, being found in areas where they are prohibited, etc.). Attorney Schreurs said he would need to look into this. Chairman Bob McCabe made a motion to have the Village Board and attorney look into rescinding / revoking an offender's appeal. Laurel Towns seconded the motion. All were in agreement. Motion carried.

Question: If committee members approve an offender and the offender reoffends, are committee members subject to lawsuits? Are we immune?
Answer: Attorney Schreurs said this is something he will have to look into.

5. Adjournment.

Motion made by Laurel Towns, seconded by James Bomski, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

Pamela J. Watzka
Secretary