

**TOWN OF SOMERS
ZONING COMMISSION
P.O. BOX 308
SOMERS, CT 06071
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JULY 18 2011
TOWN HALL – 7:00 pm**

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman, Jill Conklin called the regular meeting to order at 7:01 pm. Members: Jill Conklin, Chairman; Robert Martin, Vice-Chair; Dan Fraro; Karl Walton; Sam Smith; were present and constituted a quorum. Also present: John Collins, Zoning Liaison; John Guskowski and Tom Danieluk representing the Application from Drake Petroleum.

II. PUBLIC HEARING - none

III. MINUTES APPROVAL: (June 20, 2011)

Dan Fraro motioned to approve the regular meeting minutes of June 20, 2011. Karl Walton seconded. All were in favor, motion carried.

IV. OLD BUSINESS - none

V. NEW BUSINESS

Application of Drake Petroleum Company, Inc., 169 Main Street, Somers, CT
Owner: The Grove Corporation (Xtra Mart):

1. Addition of 24' X 30' canopy above fuel island along Hall Hill Road
2. Remove and replace all fuel tanks per plan
3. Remove and replace all fuel dispensers
4. Re-locate dumpster/trash enclosure to west side of building
5. Re-stripe parking

John Guskowski, Director of Planning with CME Associates, Representing Drake Petroleum showed the plan to the Commission. He explained the changes they will be making. Tom Danieluk also answered questions from the Commission. Chairman Jill Conklin voiced her concern of the dumpster location being close to the residents who live next door. Vice-Chair Robert Martin asked for a description of the canopy. Dan Fraro asked what the tanks that are being installed made of. Tom Danieluk said they are made of double walled fiberglass. Discussion continued.

Vice-Chair Robert Martin motioned to approve the application of Drake Petroleum's addition of the 24' x 30' canopy, along with removal and replacement of fuel tanks, removing and replacing all fuel dispensers, re-striping of parking, with the exception that the applicants agree to keep the dumpster in its current location on the northeast side of the building. Dan Fraro seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried.

VI. DISCUSSION - none

VII. STAFF/COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Vice-Chair Robert Martin asked if the sign on the barn at the furniture place had been approved. John Collins, Building Official, said that they downgraded the size of the sign and it conforms to current zoning regulations.

Chairman Jill Conklin mentioned the number of signs on all the corners around town. John Collins said they have two applicants for Zoning Enforcement Officer. Chairman Conklin hopes that they have a zoning background.

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE AND BILLS – none

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Vice-Chair Robert Martin motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm. Dan Fraro seconded. All were in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Hlobik, Recording Secretary

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