

Summit Township Planning Commission

September 17, 2002

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ronald Whitaker, Chairman; Mary Ann Hitt, Township Board Trustee; Richard Erhardt; Robert Simmons; Kenneth Strobel, Zoning Board Liaison, Stephen Artz; Dennis Hacket; and Raymond McQuillan, Patrick Dunigan, and John C. Worden, Summit Township Zoning Administrator.

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The meeting was called to order by Chairman R. Whitaker on September 17, 2002, at 7:00 p.m., in the meeting room at the Township Hall.

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A motion was made by R. Simmons, supported by M. Hitt, to approve the minutes of the July 16, 2002 meeting as written. Motion carried unanimously.

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CASE 02-09-0022 – Conditional Use – Spring Arbor University – 6301 Hague Ave – 4 Towers for Radio Station WJKN

A public hearing was held on the request of Spring Arbor University for a Conditional Use Permit to install four transmitting towers at 6301 Hague Avenue on property leased from Art Osborne.

J. Worden stated there was no correspondence for or against the proposal.

Bill Nichols, Attorney, Marcoux, Allen, Abbot, Schomer & Bower, PC. stated he would answer any questions.

E. Harold Munn, Jr., Secretary Treasurer, Board of Trustees, Spring Arbor University, said the towers had been removed from the WJKN site, on Floyd Avenue, two years ago. The old site is now a golf course. The towers and license were donated to Spring Arbor University. The DNR is open to this type of use because the land can not be used for anything else. The land is marshland. Three of the towers will be new, there will be no lights on the towers, and they will not be painted the international orange and white of the taller towers.

Ruth Porter, 6445 Hague, and Bill Glead, 4323 Donnley (property owner at 6499 Hague) wanted to know where the towers would be.

Art Osborne, landlord, with the use of maps, explained the location.

John Worden said there would not be any studio operation at the site only transmitting.

R. Porter wanted to know if it would interfere with the TV.

H. Munn said it would not.

R. Whittaker asked if there were any other comments and there were none.

A motion by P. Dunigan, supported by K. Strobel, to recommend to the Township Board approval of the Conditional Use as requested. Motion carried unanimously.

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CASE 02-09-0023 – Site Plan – Spring Arbor University – 6301 Hague Avenue – WJKN - Postponed

