

Village of Prairie Grove
Architectural Review Commission
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ARC Review Meeting

Date: 8/28/10 8:04 AM – Saturday, _____

Attendance: Peter Davies, Mike Magnussen and Ed Radwanski _____

Absent: _____ N/A _____

Call to Order: _____ 8:04 am by Ed Radwanski _____

ARC Review Minutes:

Reviewed Project proposed at: 2023 Rt. 176 Cell Tower. In attendance were the neighboring farm owner, a representative from Nunda Neighbors, a Bayview Beach Home owner, five parishioners (one of which is the volunteer grounds keeper for the church), two representatives from T-Mobile and the Village Building Inspector.

ARC Chairman Ed Radwanski opened with a statement to explain ARC's role in the review of the Cell Tower petition (limited to esthetics, ARC / Village rules and guidelines), ARC's mission statement, general ARC meeting rules that follow the Open Meetings Act and rules of order common to Village Board Meetings would be enforced.

The floor was then opened for public comment. With the exception of the Village Inspector and T-Mobile representaives all spoke and expressed they wanted to see the project approved. All having concerns that ARC would approve an acceptable balance between esthetics, functional needs and costs. The church ground keeper expressed he would be willing to provide any requested landscape maintenance needs.

Various aspects of the proposed project details were then discussed. Comments and open discussions with all in attendance occurred. Multiple topics were discussed. The primary significant topics were: As presented, plans showed barbed wire on top of a chain link fence. The barbed wire was rejected by ARC members. T-Mobile advised the barbed wire would be removed from the project.

Consensus agreement was for an 8' chain link fence with green or brown slates.

Landscape plans were provided at the meeting. Plans called for bushes with an adult expected height of 6' to be planted shoulder to shoulder around the perimeter. After discussion a ground cover border of mulch will be added.

Lighting would be limited to on demand low level task lighting on a timer.

Also after discussion the natural tower proposed collar and antenna finish was preferred.

Proposed plans call for a gravel driveway off of Bayview Beach road, gates for site access, modification to the drainage ditch and modifications to the guard rails. After construction, ARC was advised expected access to the site would be limited to a pick up truck or slightly larger vehicles once or twice a month for maintenance, or repair work. ARC asked why site access could not be obtained from a driveway off of the

church parking lot. This would eliminate a curb cut, allow for landscape features instead of gates from off site view, be a more safety conscious option and not disrupt the storm water management system. Parishioners advised they believed the Church Board was concerned that damage during construction may occur to the church driveway and parking lot and requested the drive off of the road. ARC with support of the Village Building Inspector advised a temporary construction driveway or a construction damage agreement could be attempted. These alternatives could provide for lower cost, safer, better looking results. The T-Mobile construction representative agreed this recommendation warranted further review with the church. The Parishioners advised the Church Board would probably agree if appropriate assurances were provided.

In view of the multiple changes it was agreed that plans would be reviewed, modified and resubmitted for ARC approval. ARC recommendation was to reject current project in favor of a project that takes into account the points raised above.

Reviewed Project proposed at: 4410 Route 176 Minnie Mall This project is for the modification of a previously approved illuminated box logo wall sign for the Invisible Fence Company.

Instead of a blue background sign with white letters a white background with blue letters sign is requested. ARC review of the sample provided showed during the day the white background sign blended with the building better. ARC approved the change with the suggestion that the frame of the sign should also be white and Village sign illumination output standards would still apply,

Other Topics Discussed: A discussion with Village Inspector Phil Knudsen about fence regulations occurred. Complete notes of this discussion were taken by Phil and will be incorporated in Building Department records. ARC felt board on board fences should be limited to rear area of lot; rules need to provide for pet enclosures off of perimeter, front yard perimeter fencing options for one plus acre lots, low level decorative fencing, etc.

Adjourned: 9:30am

Ed Radwanski – ARC Chairman