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DOVER TOWN BOARD PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2022 – 5:00 P.M.

4110 SOUTH BEAUMONT AVENUE (DOVER TOWN HALL) KANSASVILLE, WI 53139

- 1) **Call Public Hearing To Order & Verification Of Proper Posting:** Chairman Sam Stratton called the Town Board Meeting to order at 5:00pm. The Clerk confirmed proper posting.
- 2) **Roll Call:** Chairman Sam Stratton, Supervisor #1 Mike Shenkenberg, Supervisor #2 Jared Guillien, Residency Requestor Kelly Kinnard
- 3) **Purpose Of Hearing Is To Discuss Potential Residency Of A Registered Sex Offender**
- 4) **Appearance Of Fairness: All Individuals Who Speak Are Asked To Step Up To The Podium For Recording Purposes. Any Disorderly Conduct, Such As Whispering Or Harassing Remarks Are Prohibited**
- 5) **Mr. Kelly Kinnard Will Discuss His Request For Residency:** Mr. Kelly Kinnard stated that he was convicted in 1991 of a sex offense. He currently is living in Lake Geneva and would like to move in with his girlfriend and her parents. He does not view himself as a threat, in the past he was very negative. He feels he has changed his life; he is now a loving, happy, easy-going person. He wants to be with his loving girlfriend. He hopes he can be accepted for whom he is now, not the past.
- 6) **Public Comments:** Community members comments summarized :
 - *An individual noted that she had known Mr. Kinnard since age thirteen in Burlington. She voiced concerns for the people Mr. Kinnard intends to live with. *A son's concern was noted that he feels nervous while he plays on the trampoline or hits golf balls as he feels he is being watched by Mr. Kinnard. Mr. Kinnard's girlfriend replied that they sit on her family's back deck, sit, talk, and watch the wildlife. Mr. Kinnard is not staring at the boy. *Continual compliance with the law was questioned and a statement was made that based on Mr. Kinnard's CCAP (Consolidated Court Automation Programs) records, there have been issues with the law continually since he served his time. *A reminder of the May 2022 Dyer Elementary teacher's aide sexual assault of students was mentioned, and that children and parents are still recovering from that trauma and that this is not the right place or time for a convicted sex offender to be allowed to live in the area. *It was noted by a father of three girls that he considers the Manor a safe family community. He stated that if Mr. Kinnard is allowed to move in, he will no longer feel his girls are safe. *Mr. Kinnard should be allowed to move in. He served his time for the crime he committed, and she feels he would make a good neighbor.
 - *An individual stated that he truly questions if reform really works and does not want Mr. Kinnard in the neighborhood. *An individual who professionally works with children noted how easily children can be harmed, mentally and physically, brought up the CCAP record again stating that since there have been several issues since being released from prison there certainly should be a concern with him moving into the community. *A ten-year community member noted that in this environment with all the parks and bus stops that a lot of harm could come to the children especially since there is not a lot of police patrolling the area. *It was noted that Mr. Kinnard's CCAP states elder abuse, and her concern is for the parents, in the future. *Also noted was the CCAP notes that there are repeated failures to register as a sex offender. *An individual noted that Mr. Kinnard has been with his girlfriend for a year and has done nothing wrong, helps all the time. His past is the past, doesn't need all this harassment. He is a good man. *Victims never get over it, do not want to see history repeat itself with her children. Find some other place where it is a better fit. *Mr.

Kinnard's CCAP is not short, kids roam around the neighborhood, go to parks, walk home from the bus. There are five parks in the Manor all within the 1500 Safety Zone and very close to the suggested new residence. His residency should not be allowed *It was noted that this is not the right community for Mr. Kinnard. Parents enjoy safety for children and elderly. Good saying, people who ignore the past are doomed to repeat. *It was noted that Mr. Kinnard still has a disregard for the rules since it was stated he has been staying overnight with his girlfriend already. A rebuttal was stated that Mr. Kinnard does stay overnight but doesn't live there and Mr. Kinnard has permission from his parole officer to do so. *An individual commented that she is sorry they feel this is harassment, but she has a concern for the parents and Lori who is dating Mr. Kinnard. Concern for safety and wellbeing, not harassment.

- 7) Additional Questions From Board Members:** Chairman Stratton noted that Mr. Kinnard's CCAP history has been discussed throughout the public comments and seemed concerning to himself, is there anything he would like to note. Mr. Kinnard stated that his issues occurred when he was drug induced, alcohol induced, and living in the streets. He noted that he had a lot of anger issues. He has never hurt a child or kid in his history.
- 8) Closing Statement From Mr. Kinnard:** Mr. Kinnard noted that his parole officer wrote a letter on his behalf. Mr. Kinnard stated that he never applied himself, he was court ordered in the beginning to attend counseling but now he does it on his own. Mr. Kinnard noted he is bipolar and is on medication. He has worked to get his driver's license back and feels he is making good choices and moving forward with his life. He has given up his friends of the past, the negative people. He enjoys spending time with his girlfriend and her family. Where he currently lives, in Lake Geneva, the neighbors are constantly fighting, and it is a very hostile environment. He would like to live in a positive environment with his girlfriend. Mr. Kinnard thanked the board for the opportunity and their time.
- 9) Motion To Enter Into Closed Session Under Wisconsin State Statute 19.85(1) (A) Deliberating/ Concerning A Case Which Was The Subject Of Any Judicial Or Quasi-Judicial Trial Or Hearing Before That Governmental Body. Estimated Time Of Closed Session Will Be Approximately ½ Hour.:** Jared Guillien made the motion to go into closed session at 5:37pm., seconded by Mike Shenkenberg. Motion carried.
- 10) Motion To Enter Into Open Session:** Jared Guillien made the motion to go into open session at 5:44pm., seconded by Mike Shenkenberg. Motion carried.
- 11) Business Of Closed Session:** Chairman Stratton stated that the Board's decision was not exactly based on the original offense. He noted that Mr. Kinnard stood here and told us he had reformed but his criminal history did not show proof of that. The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Kinnard's request. Applause began. Chairman Stratton told the audience to hold applause as this is a man's life, be respectful.
- 12) Adjournment** Jared Guillien made the motion to adjourn at 5:46pm., seconded by Mike Shenkenberg. Motion carried.