

**Members Present**

Mr. Stauffenberg, Mr. Tripp, Mr. Bertrand, Mr. James, Mr. Scholl, Mr. Hess, Mr. Whitten, Mr. Marcotte, and Mr. Washington.

**Members Absent**

Mr. Olthoff, Ms. Hertzberger, and Mr. Martin.

**In Attendance**

Mr. McLaren, Mike Van Mill, Brian Billingsley, Eric Sadler, Greg Deck, Dennis Marek, Andy Pristach, Donna Shehane, Brenda Gorski, Roger Diercks, and John Bevis.

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by the Vice-Chairman of the County Board, Mr. McLaren, at 9:00 a.m. Quorum present

**2. Public Comment**

Barbara Richardson spoke regarding a variance for 14000 W Road (Essex).

John Brinkman spoke regarding the Vulcan Quarry Materials, he wanted to know if Vulcan is going to own the property after 30 years.

Mark Mitsdarffer spoke regarding water on 1909 South 9000 West Road. He feels that there is a possibility of a bad well in the area.

Alex Panozzo spoke regarding Vulcan Quarry.

Greg Deck spoke regarding the Vulcan special use permit application.

Dale Schultz spoke regarding the zoning variance on Richardson property.

Jim Kyle spoke regarding the Vulcan Quarry.

**3. Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Mr. Scholl and seconded by Mr. James to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2005 meeting. Motion carried.

**4. Subdivision**

A motion to skip this item on the agenda until the end and move on with Zoning was made by Mr. Stauffenberg and seconded by Mr. Whitten. Motion carried.

- Amendments to the Subdivision Regulations

Mr. Van Mill stated that items that would be amended would be an independent engineer, digital submittal guidelines, and variance procedures.

Roger Diercks spoke briefly on the requirements of the GIS portion of the Subdivision Regulations.

Mr. Whitten wanted to know if the State's Attorney's Office has reviewed the amendments. Mr. Van Mill stated that once this passes through committee he will pass it on to State's Attorney's Office. He is hoping that at least the GIS and variance procedures get through legal review and on to County Board in February.

A motion to have the State's Attorney's Office review, approve and make any modifications to the independent engineer portion of the subdivision regulations was made by Mr. Tripp and seconded by Mr. Whitten. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the digital submittal guidelines to the Subdivision Regulations was made by Mr. Whitten and seconded by Mr. Marcotte. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the variance procedures to the Subdivision Regulations was made by Mr. Washington and seconded by Mr. Marcotte. Motion carried.

## 5. Zoning

- ZBA Case #04-18. Petitioner withdrew- request for refund of application fee.  
Mr. Van Mill stated that the petitioners applied for rezoning of property along Armour Road. In the process, the Planning Department asked them to meet with the Village of Bourbonnais. The Village of Bourbonnais requested annexation of the property, therefore, removing the need for rezoning of the County.

A motion to refund the application fee was made by Mr. Scholl and seconded by Mr. Washington. Motion carried by a roll call vote of 10 ayes and 0 nays.

- ZBA Case #04-17; request for a Variance to Section 4.09A  
Mr. Billingsley stated the site is located in Section 10 of Aroma Township. The applicants are Pat and Laurie Gilmore. The site is more commonly located between Kankakee and Aroma Park on the west side of Waldron Road. The subject site contains 6 acres of land, it's vacant and is situated along the Kankakee River. The site is surrounded by residential uses, the County's comprehensive plan recommends residential use for the site and the site is zoned R-1 Residential. The ZBA approved this variance by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

A motion to approve the variance was made by Mr. Washington and seconded by Mr. Scholl. Motion carried.

- ZBA Case #04-15; request for a Variance to Section 6.05  
Mr. Billingsley stated that this is a request for a lot width variance in Essex Township. It is located in Section 23, on the west side of 14000 West Road approximately a quarter mile north of 2000 North Road. The site contains 63 acres and is owned by Barbara and Gary Richardson. The site has 75 feet of lot width and the zoning in the area and the site are zoned A-1 agriculture. The comprehensive plan calls for agricultural uses in the area. The Richardson's wish to build a house on the site. The ZBA conducted a public hearing last November and they voted to recommend approval of the case by a vote of 4 ayes, 1 nay and 1 present.

A motion to concur with the ZBA was made by Mr. Scholl and seconded by Mr. Washington. Motion carried. Mr. James is opposed.

Mr. James was concerned about the farm operation that is next door to the site. He would like to see something in place to protect the neighbor and his livestock. Mr. James stated that it is our job to look out for everyone and would be more

comfortable voting on this knowing that there was an agreement in place with the neighbors.

- ZBA Case #04-16; a request for a Special Use Permit 11.05  
Mr. Billingsley stated that this is a request for a Special Use Permit on Section 6 and 7 in Limestone Township, Lehigh Quarry. Vulcan Materials have applied for the Special Use Permit. The subject site is located on the east side of Lehigh Road approximately one-half mile south of Illinois Route 17. The existing Vulcan Quarry has been in operation for over 80 years. Vulcan wishes to purchase a 172 acres of farm land on the north side of the quarry to continue their operations. The site is surrounded by agricultural and rural residential uses. The County's comprehensive plan recommends agriculture use for the site. The site is zoned I-2 general industrial and the subject site is located in County Board District number 10. Vulcan proposes to extend the quarry northward across 700 South Road, a gravel road formally maintained by Limestone Township. Vulcan Materials petitioned Limestone's Road Commissioner to vacate this road way and the road commission approved the petition in December of 2004. The ZBA rendered a vote of 6 ayes and 1 nay in recommending the approval of the Special Use Permit.

A motion to concur with ZBA, grant the Special Use Permit and attach the special conditions was made by Mr. Bertrand and seconded by Mr. Tripp. Motion carried.

## 6. Solid Waste & Environmental

- A&J Recycling Contract  
Ms. Shehane handed out a memorandum regarding the recycling service. She stated that the subsidy has historically been funded through the Tipping Fee Fund received from Waste Management Landfill which has slated to cease acceptance of waste in July of 2005 so there will be no funds available in the Tipping Fee Fund to continue the subsidy.

A motion to take a few minutes to review the memo was made by Mr. Washington and seconded by Mr. Scholl. Motion carried.

Mr. McLaren wanted the committee to look at the bottom of the memo and see that the contract could be extended for two months to give ABC a chance to get things together.

A motion to allow 3 months to extend the emergency contract with ABC and to direct ABC to let them know that it will be the end of the term with them was made by Mr. Hess and seconded by Mr. Bertrand. Motion carried by a roll call vote of 10 ayes and 0 nays.

## 7. Planning

- SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives)-Quality of Life Grant-Initial Presentation  
Mr. Van Mill stated that his office has received an application for the Quality of Life Grant for SCORE. He stated that Michael Holtzman is here today to give the committee a presentation on the application, an overview of who SCORE is to the committee and answer any questions at this time.

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Mr. Van Mill stated that he does plan to bring this back to the committee for consideration if February.

Mr. Holtzman read the letter which he wrote to the Kankakee County Board regarding SCORE's \$5,000.00 request. SCORE is a non-profit organization providing free, confidential one-on-one counseling to assist people in starting, and subsequently successfully operating, small businesses within the Kankakee County community. The primary mission of SCORE is to provide an educational facility to those interested in going into business and assisting any existing business requesting SCORE's assistance.

Mr. Whitten asked if \$5,000.00 would be just for operation only. Mr. Holtz stated yes, by law he cannot use the money to pay his compensation or any employees compensation.

A motion to refer this matter to the State's Attorney Office for review was made by Mr. James and seconded by Mr. Washington. Motion carried.

**8. Other**

None

**9. Old/New Business**

Mr. Scholl thanked the Planning Department for the Open House they put on. He felt that it was very informative and excellently done.

**10. Adjournment**

A motion was made by Mr. Tripp and seconded by Mr. Hess to adjourn the meeting at 10:11 a.m. Motion carried.

Kelly McLaren, Vice-Chairman of the County Board

Stephanie Gresham  
Executive Coordinator