

Kankakee County Regional Planning Commission
Summary of Minutes of Meeting
January 25, 2005
4th Floor Administration Building
7:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Craig Bayston
Dennis Millirons
Chad Miller
Mel Blanchette
Ralph Paarlberg
Loretto Cowhig
Dave Bergdahl
Rich Howell
Dennis Peters
Frank Koehler
George Washington, Jr.

Members Absent:

Barry Jaffe
Mike Spilsbury
Steve Kelley
Jim Tripp
Lisa Dugan

Others:

Mike Van Mill
Mike Lammey
Donna Shehane

Quorum Present.

Mr. Washington called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Howell made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 23, 2005 meeting. Mr. Koehler seconded. Motion carried.

Subcommittee Updates:

Community Development:

Mr. Van Mill gave an overview of the Community Development Subcommittee's work to date. Community Development has been working on the Hazardous Mitigation Plan. The consultant for the project is French & Associates. The agreement was signed in December. There will also be a Task Force Committee. A kick off meeting is scheduled for February 10, 2005 and there will be an Open House at Quality Inn on March 10, 2005. It is important to get the County and Municipalities to adopt a Plan for disaster relief through federal money.

Solid Waste:

Mr. Bayston informed the committee of the efforts of the subcommittee. The amendment to the Solid Waste Ordinance has been sent out for public comments, some received back already. Recycling is offered curbside or drop-off, trying to generate more participation. The RFP has been sent out for waste and recycling pick up for the in house recycling for County offices. The subcommittee is also working on open burning issues. Also, the Regional Pollution Control Ordinance will need to be updated to include transfer stations, especially with the landfill closing and haulers having to find alternative stations and/or landfill for the waste.

Transportation:

Mr. Koehler gave an overview of the subcommittee's work. The airport is moving forward. There is a Commuter Rail meeting in Peotone on February 15, 2005 on the preliminary report on feasibility study. METRO has changed their hours of operation. The schedule for Monday through Saturday has been expanded to 10:30 p.m.

Mr. Koehler informed the Committee that the final draft of the 6000 North Road/Warner Bridge Grant Study is completed. There was some discussion.

There was some discussion on 6000 interchange and the AJR (access justification report).

Land Use:

Mr. Howell updated the committee on the Stormwater Management Ordinance. The Ordinance will be sent to the State's Attorney's Office for review and then public hearings.

HNTB is moving along with the Land Use Plan. There was some discussion on the Plan.

New Business:

Mr. Bayston informed the Commission that he thought the Planning Department's Open House was very impressive and informative.

Next meeting March 22, 2005

Mr. Howell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Bayston. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Submitted by Michelle Sadler, Planning Department

Approved 3/22/05

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