

MINUTES

KANKAKEE COUNTY REGIONAL PLANING COMMISSION LAND USE SUBCOMMITTEE

November 16, 2006

IN ATTENDANCE

Members:

Rich Howell, Dave Bergdahl, Loretto Cowhig, Mel Blanchette, Bud Bates, Bill Bukowski, Chad Miller

Others:

Delbert Skimerhorn, Mike Lammey, Sarah Billadeau - Kankakee County Planning Department

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Howell called the meeting to order at 4:32 P.M.

MINUTES

Mr. Bukowski asked that the minutes be corrected to reflect the correct spelling of his name. Mr. Miller moved that the Minutes of the September 21 meeting be approved as amended. Mr. Bukowski. Seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

AMENDMENT OF AGENDA

Mr. Bergdahl moved that the agenda be amended to include Item 2A Committee Reorganization. Mr. Blanchette. Seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

COMMITTEE REORGANIZATION

Mr. Bergdahl moved to nominate Mr. Howell as the Chairman of the committee and to close nominations. Mr. Bates seconded the motion. The committee voted to elect Mr. Howell as Chairman, the vote was unanimous. Mr. Howell moved to nominate Mr. Bergdahl as Vice-Chairman of the committee and to close nominations. Ms. Cowhig seconded the motion. The committee voted to elect Mr. Bergdahl as Vice-Chairman of the committee, the vote was unanimous.

UPDATE ON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN EDUCATIONAL MEETINGS

Mr. Skimerhorn explained that the workshops that had been scheduled for the previous week were cancelled due to lack of attendance and that the staff would like to reschedule them for late January. Mr. Skimerhorn asked the committee to choose a set of dates that

they might work. The committee recommended January 30 and 31. Mr. Skimerhorn said that he would make the arrangements.

UPDATE ON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN LAND USE IMPLEMENTATION SUMMARY

Mr. Skimerhorn stated that Mr. Van Mill would like the committee to prioritize the elements of the 2007 Work Program so that the staff could allocate the necessary resources to accomplish the tasks. After a short discussion the committee agreed that the number one priority would be updating the zoning and subdivision ordinances followed by preparing a study on reducing the oversupply of residential, commercial and industrially zoned land, and finally investigate the need for increasing the minimum lot size in the Agricultural District.

UPDATE ON STORMWATER MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL MODEL ORDINANCE

Mr. Skimerhorn stated that the Ordinance was adopted. He also stated that the County had posted a position to hire an engineer to oversee this program. However, the County has not received any applicants. He explained that the County was now in discussions with the Highway Department to have them perform these duties until an acceptable candidate can be found.

UPDATE ON SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS

Mr. Skimerhorn told the committee that a draft of the Subdivision Ordinance amendments had been completed and sent out for review by local engineers and staff. He also stated that the Highway Department was working on amendments to the Ordinance as well. The amendments that the Highway Department is proposing are technical in nature and that the amendments that the Planning Department is proposing are procedural. He stated that the committee would receive a copy of the Ordinance to review once both versions were combined and completed.

TRI-VILLAGE GRANT UPDATE

Mr. Skimerhorn reported that the final draft of the documents was finished and reviewed by staff. This draft was being sent to the appropriate agencies for review. He further stated that after this review period a public hearing would be held. The committee then had a discussion on which agency should hold the public hearing.

UPDATE ON REVIEW AND/OR REVISION OF LAND EVALUATION AND SITE ASSESSMENT (LESA)

Mr. Skimerhorn asked Mr. Howell if he could find someone that would be willing to give a presentation to the committee about this program. Mr. Howell stated that he would look in to it.

2007 WORK PROGRAM

Mr. Skimerhorn explained that this item was already covered in Item 3A and that no further discussion was needed

OTHER

Mr. Howell explained that the normal meeting months for the committee would be changing from the odd numbered months to the even numbered months to give more time between committee meetings and full Planning Commission meetings.

NEXT MEETING

Chairman Howell stated that the next meeting would be on Thursday, February 15, 2006 at 4:30 P.M., and that the meeting would be held in the second floor meeting room of the County Administration Building.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Bergdahl moved adjournment and Mr. Blanchette seconded. Unanimous vote. Chairman Howell adjourned the meeting at 5:08 P.M.