MINUTES

KANKAKEE COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION LAND USE/TRANSPORTATION SUBCOMMITTEE

December 9, 2010

IN ATTENDANCE

Members:

Jeff Jarvis, Ralph Paarlberg, Rich Howell, Chad Miller, Mel Blanchette, Craig Bayston, George Washington, Bill Bukowski and David Stejkowski.

Others:

Mike Lammey and Jim Greenstreet, Kankakee County

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Howell called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. Howell opened the meeting for nominations of a new Chairman and Vice-Chairman. Mr. Jarvis nominated Mr. Miller as Chairman and Mr. Washington as Vice-Chairman, moving that nominations be closed, seconded by Mr. Blanchette. The vote was unanimous, electing Mr. Miller and Mr. Washington.

MINUTES

Mr. Miller asked that the minutes for the June 3, 2010 meeting be presented for approval. Mr. Howell made a motion to accept as presented, seconded by Mr. Bayston. Motion passed.

ILLIANA EXPRESSWAY

Mr. Lammey presented a discussion from Pete Harmet from IDOT concerning the next steps on the Illiana Expressway. IDOT is intending to assemble a stakeholder working group to include people from Kankakee County and Will County, and is seeking names of people for this group. The Committee recommended Mr. Bayston for the position and Mr. Stejkowski also volunteered to attend the meetings.

A portion of a DVD recording of the Illinois Tollway Authority November 2010 Board Meeting was presented showing Rocco Zucchero giving a planning update to the Board on the Illiana Expressway.

WORK GROUP CONCEPT

Mr. Lammey brought up for discussion structure of the Land Use / Transportation Subcommittee and the Work Groups. He indicated that it may be better to separate back into two subcommittees, Land Use and Transportation, with changes to the relevant work groups. Discussion by the members included the possibility of having the Regional Planning Commission break down the new 2011 Work Program into a small number of priority projects to be accomplished during the coming year, and have one new work group assigned to handle one task for the year. The survey from the November RPC meeting could be used to help prioritize the needs. Other 2011 Work Program elements could be listed as items to continuously monitor for developing needs.

The Solid Waste Plan update was brought up as a concern, with no committee to be in charge of it. A consultant has reportedly been acquired, Patrick Engineering. It was suggested that the consultant be asked to come to the County to present on the current status of their work and to receive input from the County. Mr. Howell stated he will discuss this suggestion with County Board Chairman Bossert and Mr. Van Mill.

OLD BUSINESS

Major roadway improvements were discussed. I-57 @ IL Rt. 50 interchange work is scheduled. I-57 at 6000 N Road Interchange is still held in Phase I Engineering with an environmental concern being addressed. The I-57 @ IL Rt. 17 interchange reconstruction project is still being discussed. The Brookmont Blvd. CN RR underpass project is awaiting additional funding sources to move it forward.

NEXT MEETING

January 25, 2011 7:00 PM Regional Planning Commission February 24, 2011 10:30 AM Land Use / Transportation Subcommittee

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Bayston moved for adjournment, and Mr. Howell seconded. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 AM.