

Members Present

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

Members Absent

Mr. Olthoff

In Attendance

Mr. Kruse, Mr. McLaren, Rev. Wilson, Ms. Bernard, Mike Van Mill, Brian Billingsley, Mike Lammey, Donna Shehane, Ed Smith, Brenda Gorski, Tim Schmidt, Mike Watson and Keith Runyon

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Vice-Chairman, Mr. Stauffenberg at 9:05 a.m. Quorum present.

2. Public Comment

Keith Runyon spoke regarding SWMP – public meetings to limit the amount of garbage burial to 1,000 per day.

3. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Bertrand and seconded by Mr. Martin to approve the minutes of the December 17, 2004 meeting. Motion carried.

4. Subdivision

5. Zoning

• ZBA Case #04-15

A request for a Variance to Section 6.05 (Lot Width) of the Kankakee County Zoning Ordinance, on a parcel generally situated in Section 23 of Essex Township. The petitioners are Gary C. and Barbara J. Richardson, property owners and applicants.

Mr. Van Mill stated that the applicant asked that no action be taken on this item today because their representative could not be present today. Previously, Mr. Scholl had brought up issues regarding the property. Mr. Billingsley was present to give a brief overview of the 3 parcels of land:

Parcel 1

Property owners, Gary and Barbara Richardson, requesting a variance. Lot width is only 75 feet wide and the minimum lot width should be 330 feet in an A-1 District.

Parcel 2

Frank Zilm – parcel was sub-divided and sold to another party. The zoning violation is that it does not have the minimum lot size according to a house in the A-1 District.

Parcel 3

Bill Schultz, objector, has 4 acre parcel with a farm house and cattle operation on this lot. State law requires 5 acres of agricultural usage and need 20 acres of house. Parcel was sub-divided.

Mr. Scholl and Ms. Hertzberger discussed compliance issues.

Mr. Scholl asked that the property owner be given a description, if this particular property is in compliance with the zoning ordinances that exist within the County.

Ms. Hertzberger stated we need to have an ordinance recorded that states the property is in compliance with the Zoning Ordinance.

Discussion.

A motion to have this committee ask the SAO to recommend an ordinance to be recorded was made by Mr. Scholl and seconded by Mr. James. Motion carried.

Mr. Smith suggested that he would make a presentation at the next committee meeting as to what the options could be on the issue(s) in question.

Mr. Martin would like to have the SAO have a time to get back to us in 60 days.

A motion to rescind was made by Mr. Scholl and seconded by Mr. James. Motion carried.

A motion to table this matter to the next PZA meeting was made by Mr. Scholl and seconded by Mr. Tripp. Motion carried.

6. Solid Waste & Environmental

- Garbage Service RFP-Recommendation to County Board

Mr. Van Mill stated that at the last meeting a draft RFP was distributed for review. Ms. Shehane is applying for grant funding for in-house recycling in the county buildings from the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunities. This will entail collection of waste and disposables/recyclables for the county buildings. The date of the bids due date will be changed to allow the companies enough time to make bids.

A motion to approve the RFP was made by Mr. Whitten and seconded by Mr. Washington. Motion carried.

Mr. Scholl asked where the funds will come from to pay for this.

Ms. Shehane stated that right now all the different departments pay for their own garbage pick up. However, she has asked for bids for each separate building.

- Landfill Negotiation Committee- Recommendation to Dissolve Committee

A motion to dissolve the committee was made by Mr. Martin and seconded by Mr. Marcotte. Motion carried.

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- Draft Amendments to Kankakee County Solid Waste Ordinance (Haulers)- Approval to Solicit Public Comments

Ms. Shehane passed out a draft summary of the proposed changes to the current Solid Waste Ordinance. The purpose of the Ordinance is to increase the availability of recycling in Kankakee County and collect data from the haulers that is necessary to track the recycling and waste generation rates, which is something they do not have a handle on now for residential recycling only. They are at 10% now and the goal is to increase by 25%. At this time, they are asking for approval to solicit public comments only.

Ms. Bernard asked if this issue would be posted for public comment.

Ms. Shehane replied "yes" to Ms. Bernard's inquiry and that it would be sent to municipalities, mayors, haulers and posted for public comment.

A motion to allow Donna to get public comment was made by Ms. Hertzberger and seconded by Mr. Washington. Motion carried. Mr. Whitten is opposed.

7. Planning

- Hazard Mitigation Plan- Resolution Creating a Mitigation Advisory Task Force and its Membership

Mr. Van Mill stated that at the December county board meeting the County approved Karl to sign an agreement with French and Associates to assist the Planning Department in preparing a Hazard Mitigation Plan. One of the recommendations from French and Associates and asked that it be pursued, is a task force of stake holders in Kankakee County that would have an interest in being part of this process as they move forward. A draft resolution was provided for the committee's review. This task force would participate with the community development sub committee of the Regional Planning Commission in putting together the project.

Mr. Whitten wants to know if you are going to ask for volunteers.

Mr. Van Mill stated that he would like to accept volunteers but the authority of the Chairman would appoint these individuals.

A motion to forward to the SAO for review was made by Mr. James and seconded by Mr. Whitten. Motion carried.

8. Other

9. Old/New Business

- Planning Department Open House- Thursday, January 13, 2005; 5:00- 7:30 p.m.
Mr. Van Mill wanted to remind everyone that there will be an Open House on January 13, 2005.
- Search Committee- Advisory Resolution Supporting the Recommendation of the Report

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Mr. Van Mill would like to see the County support the goals and recommendations of the Search Committee.

A motion to support the Search Committee goals was made by Mr. Washington and seconded by Mr. Kruse. Motion carried.

- Hopkins Grant Administration- Information to be Presented at the Meeting
Not needed

10. Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Marcotte and seconded by Mr. Scholl to adjourn the meeting at 10:06 a.m. Motion carried.

William Olthoff, Chairman

Stephanie Gresham
Executive Coordinator