

WASHINGTON COUNTY
MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF AUGUST 30, 2007

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairperson Hoffman at 1:00 p.m. at the Public Agency Center, Room 3224. Those present included:

Members Present:

Lawrence Hoffman..... Vice Chairperson
Linda Walter..... Health Department Director
Linda Olson Office on Aging Director
Ken Pesch..... Highway Department

Absent:

David Radermacher..... Chairperson
James Schwartz County Board Supervisor

Staff:

Debora Sielski Assistant Administrator for Planning
Washington County Planning and Parks Department

Joanne Wagner Office Manager
Washington County Planning and Parks Department

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS: Call Meeting to Order/Review Agenda

Vice Chairperson Hoffman called the meeting to order. Quorum present.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS: Approval of minutes

Motion by Pesch, seconded by Olson to approve the minutes of August 9, 2007 as submitted with no additions or corrections. Motion carried.

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS: Discussion on questions raised at previous meeting regarding Chapter VIII - Agricultural, Natural and Cultural Resources Element

Sielski addressed the question raised by Pesch on the first map of LESA scores referred to in Chapter VIII. Regarding Map VIII-1, Pesch had inquired about the red “blob” which is apparently over the County line into Dodge County (area that is served by the City of Hartford Sewer District). Per Sielski, that is the Rubicon Sanitary District #1. Rubicon is tied to the City of Hartford sewer.

Regarding Supervisor Radermacher's question about the Certified Local Government Historic Preservation Program in Wisconsin, Sielski provided a handout and reviewed this information with the Committee (see attached). Sielski stated that the County has not been working on this, but it is a good program that the County may want to consider.

Regarding Pesch's comment about potential errors in the Timmers area of Big Cedar Lake, Sielski stated Pesch is correct that this should have been included, thus it will be put on the map. All of the other conservation easements and properties that were protected are on that map.

Pesch also stated that he had a question regarding protection of primary environmental corridors. Sielski prepared an explanatory handout regarding protection of primary corridors in Sanitary Sewer areas which she passed around and reviewed (see attached).

Pesch asked if we were going to leave the secondary environmental corridors on the map because some other committee had voted not to protect them. All recommendations to protect the secondary corridors have now been stricken, however Sielski stated it should still be acceptable to have them mapped as part of the inventory.

Agreement by Committee that all questions from the past meeting were addressed satisfactorily.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS:

Review of Chapter XIII – Economic
Development Element

Sielski stated that this element was compiled using discussions with Committees and the public input sessions, as well as looking at the Milwaukee Seven Plan, and the Strategic Plan for the Washington County Economic Development Corporation. After completing a draft of this Chapter, Sielski reviewed it with Jack Caldwell, the Executive Director of the Washington County Economic Development Corporation, making sure that it was correctly stated that the County was recommending that either the County implement a program or policy or that the County supports the work of another agency such as the Economic Development Corporation.

Question by Pesch about Table XIII-1 on page 2a. Title "Employment Status of Persons 16 Years of Age or Older in Washington County Communities" leads you to believe that this is everyone more than 16 years old. However, if you look at footnote (a), the percentages are not the total number of persons age 16 or older; it's the persons age 16 or older in the labor force. Pesch stated that the titles are misleading. Sielski agrees and will have this fixed so it is clear.

Page 17 – Olson has concern with third bullet from bottom “lack of public transportation” Discussion ensued. Perhaps it should be termed “mass transportation” rather than public transportation. Olson stated that it could be left as is, just has concern about this wording.

Sielski asked if there were any additional comments or questions on the items reviewed in this chapter.

Discussion ensued regarding TIF districts and how they are administered.

Linda Walter mentioned licensing program for local facilities. Currently, there is no local program for regulation on food products. We are the only County over 100,000 in the State who doesn't have a local program. Regulations for sanitary requirements would be helpful for new business coming into the County. Walter suggested bringing this into this area of the Plan, as this is an infrastructure support of businesses although they may not recognize it as such. Sielski suggested that on page 21, this could be included as a separate objective (desirable business issues). Under attracting and retaining businesses, Sielski asked Walter to put a couple of bullet points together and email them to her.

**Motion by Olson, seconded by Walter to approve Chapter XIII as presented.
Motion carried.**

FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS: Discussion of Dispute Resolution Forum

Sielski gave the history of how this came about and why it exists. Handed out information about this process (see attached). This is part of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Element, and statues state that this must be addressed. The Multi-Jurisdictional Advisory Committee has set up a subcommittee and they are working on the bylaws and process for dispute resolution. A Board will be established where municipalities can take concerns or problems to be heard and resolved. Sielski is working with County Attorney Kim Nass on this. This will go through the County Board as an Ordinance.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS: Discuss future meeting dates and times

Previously, at tentative date for the next meeting had been set for November 1 at 1:00 p.m. Sielski wishes to change this if possible to sometime in the first 3 weeks of October (prior to October 24). The Housing Element Chapter will be reviewed, and she would like to have a discussion of prioritizing policies and programs.

The next meeting date is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 23, at 2:00 p.m.** The next meeting after this tentatively scheduled for **Tuesday, November 27th, at 1:00 p.m.**

The August 27th Land Use and Transportation workgroup meeting at the West Bend Municipal Airport was discussed.

A tour of the airport facility was conducted and various presentations were given. Sielski gave an overview of the presentations and information provided at that event, and stated that she felt it was a good meeting overall.

SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS: Adjournment

Motion by Pesch, seconded by Walter to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 2:17 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deb Sielski
Assistant Administrator for Planning

Approved by _____
David N. Radermacher, Chairperson

Date _____