

WASHINGTON COUNTY
MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF APRIL 26, 2006

The meeting was called to order by Heiser at 6:15 p.m. at the Public Agency Center in Rooms 1113A/B.
Those present included:

Advisory Committee Members Present:

Mathew Heiser, Chairperson	Village of Kewaskum
Tammy Kennedy, Vice-Chairperson	Town of Erin
Gary Karnitz (Alternate)	Town of Addison
Paul Metz	Town of Germantown
Jim Bennett	Town of Hartford
Allen Hron	Town of Kewaskum
Michael Heili	Village of Newburg
Willard Heppe	Town of Polk
Ed Doerr	Town of Trenton
Leander Herriges	Town of Wayne
Barb Renkas	Town of West Bend Citizen
Shawn Graff	Ozaukee Washington Land Trust
Mike Becker	Farm Bureau
Dave Johnson	Non-metallic Mining Representative
Scott Mathie	Metropolitan Builders Association
John Torinus	Business Leader & State Cluster Representative

Excused:

Ron Heinen	Town of Barton
Craig Johnson	Moraine Park Technical College
Dan Truog	Washington Board of Realtors Association
Marilyn John	ANCR Work Group Chairperson

Absent:

Ralph Eisenman	Town of Farmington
Phil Beitz	Village of Newburg Citizen
John Schultz	Town of Trenton Citizen
John Wald	DNR Park & Recreation
Chris Kuehn	HUED Work Group Chairperson

Staff:

Debora Sielski

Assistant Administrator for Planning
Washington County Planning and Parks Department

Todd Roehl

Planner
Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission

Peter Wagner

Planner
Washington County Planning and Parks Department

Kelly Hahm

Administrative Secretary
Washington County Planning and Parks Department

Others Present:

David Schilling	Principal Planning, SEWRPC
Lawrence Leitner	Senior Specialist, SEWRPC
Karen Reiter, Alternate	Town of Polk
Mark McCune	Washington County Board Supervisor
Brian Bausch	Washington County Board Supervisor

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

Heiser called meeting to order and added that there is currently not a quorum and no action could be taken on any items at this time. The approval of the minutes was delayed until a quorum was present.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS: Update from the Agricultural, Natural and Cultural Resources Work Group Chairperson – Marilyn John

There was no update due to the excused absence of Chairperson John.

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS: Presentation on Environmental Corridors

Schilling gave a presentation on Environmental Corridors. (See Attached). Discussion ensued regarding land division in Washington County. Sielski stated she could provide information on land division rules and regulation to a future meeting. Torinus asked what the Advisory Committee should be recommending with environmental corridors. Schilling stated he would hope that the County plan would recommend preservation of primary environmental corridors. Kennedy asked if each community would have their own map showing environmental corridors. Sielski stated if the Advisory Committee would like this, that it is possible to get a map for each community. Discussion ensued on how sand and gravel resources can be preserved along with primary environmental corridors. Torinus asked if SEWRPC allows sewer and water extensions into the primary corridors. Schilling stated that a road or utility could go through a primary corridor, but no development can be within the primary corridor within a sewer service area.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS: Approval of March 22, 2006 Minutes

Heiser indicated a quorum was present and asked for approval of the March 22nd minutes.

Motion by Torinus, seconded by Heili to approve the March 22, 2006 minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS: Presentation on the Natural Areas Plan

Leitner gave a presentation on the Natural Areas Plan. (See Attached). Torinus asked what the Advisory Committee should be recommending with the natural areas. Sielski replied that all of the areas are outlined in the Washington County Park and Open Space Plan, updated in 2004, and this group could make a recommendation for continued acquisition of these areas as outlined in that plan. Torinus commented on the loss of water quality, water shed, and wells in our area.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS: Presentation on County Farmland and Open Space Preservation Tools Report

Wagner gave a presentation on the Farmland and Open Space Preservation Tools Reports. (See Attached). Torinus requested that the amount of land used on conservation subdivisions be provided to the Advisory Committee. Sielski commented that SEWRPC did a summary on conservation subdivisions in Washington County and will provide that information at an upcoming meeting. (Metz arrived at 7:30 p.m.). Discussion ensued on what is going on at the State level in regards to the working lands initiative. Torinus gave an update on the Working Land Initiative. Graff commented that the Farmland and Open Space Preservation Tools Report has been great source of information for various agencies. Sielski added that a future meeting she will try to schedule Dan Stoffel to give a presentation the Count PDR program and Sue Millin to give a presentation on the PDR tour she recently went on.

SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS: Update on Local Kickoff meetings

Wagner stated that the Town of Erin kickoff meeting went smoothly. Wagner stated over 500 people attended the eleven kickoff meetings held in the partnering municipalities.

Wagner mentioned that the next major public participation effort, will be the visioning workshops which will be held in each partnering municipality. There will be more details to follow in upcoming months. Wagner stated we need to know by June if a local partner wants staff to hold a focus group session based on survey results. Discussion ensued regarding the review of the chapters by partnering municipalities. Torinus suggested that staff present the Chapters to each municipality. Wagner stated unfortunately there currently is not enough staff services to implement that course of action and that it is the responsibility of each local partner representative to provide information to their local plan commission. If there is an issue that is difficult for the local representative to explain to their plan commission, County staff will be willing to clarify with additional written explanation. Torinus also complimented on the long hours that staff is putting in on this process. Bennett asked how we can bring this closer to home and not make this look like a county program. Discussion ensued.

EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS: Public Comment

No comments given.

NINTH ORDER OF BUSINESS: Discussion Regarding Upcoming Meetings

Heiser stated that there will be a meeting on May 3, 2006 at the Town of Hartford. The Advisory Committee requested that they receive the draft survey results prior to the May 3rd meeting. Wagner stated that staff just reviewed the draft and found errors and missing analysis that needs to be brought to the consultants attention. There will also be a meeting on May 24, 2006. Wagner asked the Advisory Committee if they would like a review of the County land division ordinance as it relates to environmental corridors. The Advisory Committee came to a consensus to not review the County land division ordinance.

TENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS: Adjournment

Motion by Graff, seconded by Bennett to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debra Sielski
Assistant Administrator for Planning

Approved by _____
Mathew Heiser, Chairperson

Date _____

