

WASHINGTON COUNTY
MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 26, 2008

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Radermacher at 8:15 a.m. at the Public Agency Center, Room 3224. Those present included:

Members Present:

Lawrence Hoffman..... County Board Supervisor
James Schwartz County Board Supervisor
David Radermacher County Board Supervisor
Linda Walter Health Department Director
Linda Olson Director, Aging and Disability Resource Center
Ken Pesch Highway Department

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

Chairperson Radermacher called the meeting to order. Quorum present.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS: Approval of February 12, 2008 minutes

Motion by Pesch, seconded by Hoffman to approve the minutes of February 12, 2008 as submitted with no additions or corrections. Motion carried.

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS: Discuss written comments on priority ranking of Chapters IX, XII and XIV of the Comprehensive Plan

Sielski provided handout Table XV-5, Summary of Utilities and Community Facilities Element Program Priorities (see attached). After reviewing the information in the handout, Sielski requested that the Committee prioritize the programs listed on this handout by marking the appropriate boxes with an "x". Sielski asked if there was further comment or discussion. If not, she requested a motion on the handout. In regard to the Health Care Issue Program, Walter requested that the wording be changed from "mass disaster plan" to "mass clinic disaster plan."

Motion by Pesch, seconded by Olson to accept these prioritization changes. Motion carried unanimously.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS: Consider additional text into Chapter XIV – Intergovernmental Cooperation Element

Sielski handed out Maps A and B that were approved at the Feb. 21st Jurisdictional Highway Committee meeting (see attached). Sielski stated that she just got these from SEWRPC late yesterday. All local government concerns regarding these maps are listed on the bottom of the maps. These notes will be included on page 19 of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Element - Chapter XIV. Chapter XIV is the ideal location for this information, as it talks about concerns and disagreements between municipalities. **Motion by Walter, seconded by Olson to insert the changes reflected on these maps into the text in Chapter XIV as discussed. Motion carried.**

Radermacher brought up a concern regarding the Village of Richfield, stating that they are opposed to Highway 164 being 4-lanes all the way from Highway Q throughout the entire six mile stretch of the Town of Richfield to Pioneer Road and it should be stated as such on the maps. Pesch stated that the Technical Advisory Committee could make a recommendation to SEWRPC to make the changes, but since the maps come from a different committee, the Technical Advisory Committee can only forward this on with a recommendation to make these changes. Further discussion ensued.

The consensus of the Technical Advisory Committee is the recommendation that the text on the maps as well as the text incorporated into Chapter XIV needs to show the change in wording from “The Village of Richfield expressed opposition regarding the planned widening of STH 164 between CTH Q and STH 167” to “The Village of Richfield expressed opposition regarding the planned widening of STH 164 between CTH Q north to Pioneer Road”

FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS: Review and consider Draft Chapter XV - Implementation Element

Sielski reviewed Chapter XV (see attached). Since the County incorporated all of the local government plans into our plan, any time a local government plan changes, our plan may need to change. There will, therefore, be a lot of amendments going through the Planning, Conservation and Parks Committee and County Board. This is a general overview of the procedure we developed to amend the Comprehensive Plan.

Hoffman inquired as to what the abbreviation “BMP” stands for. Sielski stated that she will add a notation explaining that “BMP” stands for Best Management Practices. **Motion by Schwartz, seconded by Pesch to approve Chapter XV – Implementation Element. Motion carried.**

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS: Review and consider Draft Chapter XVI – Summary Element

Sielski reviewed the Summary Chapter.

Schwartz commented on the goals listed. Asked if these were just the goals for each category. Sielski stated they were. Schwartz further inquired as to whether they were in the order of how they were ranked. Sielski stated that the programs are in order of how they were ranked, but the goals were not listed that way. Schwartz stated that if he looked at this and didn't realize that, he would expect them to be ranked within the category. Sielski stated she will add the clarification that the goals are not ranked on page 9, before the Agricultural, Natural and Cultural Resources Element.

Walter complimented Sielski on the marvelous job she has done on this project. Schwartz also thanked Sielski and the Department for the tremendous accomplishment on this Plan. **Motion by Hoffman, seconded by Walter to approve the Summary Element, with the change of adding the clarification that the goals are not ranked.**

SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS: Consider Recommendation of Draft Multi-jurisdictional Comprehensive Plan Chapters I - XVI to the Planning, Conservation and Parks Committee

Motion by Olson, seconded by Walter to accept the plan with a positive recommendation and forward to the Planning, Conservation and Parks Committee. Motion carried.

EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS: Adjournment

Radermacher thanked the Technical Advisory Committee for their participation in this process and noted the great amount of work done by Sielski and the Planning and Parks Department.

Motion by Schwartz, seconded by Hoffman to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deb Sielski
Assistant Administrator for Planning

Approved by _____
David N. Radermacher, Chairperson

Date _____