

**Planning Advisory Board Meeting Minutes  
Monday, May 24, 2004**

**Members Present**

Vivienne Armentrout, Charles Gray, Chair Pat Kelly, Kathleen Knol, Bill McFarlane Wesley Prater, Stephen Solowczuk, Mona Walz, Second Vice Chair Anne Williams

**Members Absent**

Janis Bobrin (excused); Cathie Dries; First Vice Chair Heather Northway (excused); David Rutledge (excused)

**Staff Present**

Anthony VanDerworp, Director; Jessica Eisenman, Amy Golke, Mechelle Hardy, Jason Kaplan

**Others Present:**

Emily Leidner, Dexter Township; John Kinglsey, Chair, Webster Township Planning Commission

**Call to Order and Roll Call**

Chair Pat Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Second Vice Chair Anne Williams took roll call. There is a quorum.

**Approval of Minutes**

Wesley Prater motioned for approval, Charles Gray supported. No discussion, all in favor, motion carried.

**Public Comment**

Introductions of Emily Leidner and John Kinglsey, Chair of Webster Township Planning Commission.

**Approval of Agenda**

Chuck Gray motioned for approval of the agenda, Vivienne Armentrout supported. All in favor, motion carried.

**Report of the Chair – Pat Kelly**

The Chair had nothing to report.

### **Report of the Director – Tony VanDerworp**

Anthony VanDerworp reported that the full copy of the Parks and Recreation Commission Plan is available and if you would like a copy, please contact him. Also announced the second round of the Regional Workshops and a copy of the schedule was distributed. On June 3, 6:30 p.m. at the Administration building on 220 N. Main Street, the Draft Comprehensive Plan will go to the Board of Commissioners Working Session for review.

### **Old Business**

There was no old business to report.

### **New Business**

#### **Webster Township Master Plan Amendment**

Amy Golke overviewed the Webster Township Master Plan Amendment that was included in the Board packet. John Kingsley, Chair of Webster Township Planning Commission, was able to answer questions regarding the amendment. Staff recommended that the township possibly consider an alternative mobile home park site be selected due to wetland and woodland area to the west serves as a natural buffer and the current location is bordered by gravel roads. Staff does not find the amendment to be inconsistent with contiguous local unit of government plans or the county Land Use Policies Plan.

Kingsley talked about the proposal brought to Webster Township by a developer to develop over 200 areas in the southeastern portion of the township. The developer is suing Webster Township, Township Board, and each of the Board members for more than \$10,000,000. Discussion ensued.

Armentrout moved to accept the Master Plan Amendment as amended by staff, Prater supported. Roll call vote: Yeas: 9. Nays: 0. Absent: 4. Motion carried.

#### **Historic District Merriman Farm Report**

Staff passed out a letter regarding the preliminary study committee report. VanDerworp asked if the Board would like to continue receiving the entire report. The Board felt that the report is needed to help make an informed decision.

Armentrout moved to accept the Historic District Merriman Farm Report, Stephen Solowczuk supported. Roll call vote: Yeas: 9. Nays: 0. Absent: 4. Motion carried.

### **Comprehensive Plan – Review of Transmittal Draft**

VanDerworp overviewed each section of the Transmittal Draft of the Comprehensive Plan. Discussion and Board recommendations ensued. The Board recommendations will be included in the Transmittal Draft of the Comprehensive Plan.

### **Committee Reports**

None.

### **Other Items for Discussion**

None.

**Future Agenda Items**

None.

**Public Comment**

None.

**Adjourn**

Chair Kelly asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Solowczuk motioned for adjournment, Anne Williams supported, all in favor. Meeting ended at 9:21 p.m.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 28, 2004, 7:00 p.m. at 705 N. Zeeb Road in the MSU/Extension lower level conference room.

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Pat Kelly, Chair