

Planning Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, August 30, 2004

Members Present

Vivienne Armentrout, Janis Bobrin, Cathie Dries, Charles Gray, Chair Pat Kelly, Heather Northway, Wesley Prater, David Rutledge, Stephen Solowczuk, Mona Walz, Second Vice Chair Anne Williams

Members Absent

Kathleen Knol, William McFarlane

Staff Present

Mechelle Hardy, Jason Kaplan, Anthony VanDerworp

Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Pat Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Second Vice Chair Anne Williams took roll call. There is a quorum.

Approval of Minutes

Wesley Prater motioned for approval of the July 26 meeting minutes, Stephen Solowczuk supported. No discussion, all in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Agenda

Prater motioned for approval of the agenda, Solowczuk supported. All in favor, motion carried.

Public Comment

None.

Report of the Chair – Pat Kelly

None.

Report of the Director – Tony VanDerworp

Tony VanDerworp gave a brief summary on House Bill 5030 – Agricultural Districts. The Department also received a request from York Township and Monroe County Planning to support SEMCOG's review of a regional impact called a Regional Clearinghouse Review Committee for the proposed Crosswinds project in Milan Township and a 1600 acre development in York Township. The Forensic Hospital property may also be included in the review. Discussion ensued.

Old Business

None.

New Business – Public Act 116 – Bridgewater Township

Jason Kaplan summarized the Bridgewater Township Public Act 116 application that was included within the monthly packet. David Rutledge motioned to accept the application and concur with the staff's Public Act 116 Farmland Agreement Application Review report, Solowczuk supported. Prater noted the application showed a tax lien on the property when it was removed from PA 116. Discussion ensued. VanDerworp changed the last sentence of the staff report to read, "...the Planning Advisory Board recommends that this application is consistent with the planning goals and policies on the local and county level and supports the application." Rutledge restated his motion, Planning and Environment Department staff finds this PA 116 application consistent with the local and county planning goals and policies and supports this application and that the Planning Advisory Board concurs with this report. Additional information, regarding the tax lien should be included in the Board of Commissioners packet. Solowczuk supports the motion. Roll call vote: Yeas: 11. Nays: 0. Absent: 2. Motion carried

Comprehensive Plan

Plan Revisions (Planning Advisory Board and the Public Comment)

Kaplan summarized the comments from the county comprehensive plan included in the packet and explained the five categories in which the comments were categorized. Kaplan distributed comments from Ascent Design PC. Changes to the Public Comments: Content Changes to Draft Plan will be referenced in a separate document. Discussion ensued with each section of the changes to the Draft Comprehensive Plan.

Armentrout moved to leave natural roads in Transportation section, Walz supported. Chair Kelly asked for a voice vote, all in favor.

Support Document Review

Comments have been given to Kaplan prior to the meeting.

VanDerworp invited the Planning Advisory Board member to attend the Board of Commissioners Public Hearing of the Comprehensive Plan at 6:45 p.m., Wednesday, September 1. Also announced that on September 22, Board of Commissioner meeting, the Comprehensive Plan is scheduled to be adopted.

Armentrout moved that the Planning Advisory Board move to approve and accept the Comprehensive Plan as revised and recommend that the Board of Commissioners adopt the Plan. Rutledge supports the motion. Roll call vote: Yeas: 11. Nays: 0. Absent: 2. Motion carried.

Walz mentioned that November 8 is World Planning Day.

Other Items for Discussion – Summary of Michigan House Bill 5030 – Agricultural Districts

VanDerworp passed out the Staff Report on the Summary of Michigan House Bill 5030 – Agricultural Districts.

Public Comment

None.

Adjourn

Chair Kelly asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bobrin motioned for adjournment, Prater supported, all in favor. Meeting ended at 9:02 p.m.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 27, 2004, 7:00 p.m. at 705 N. Zeeb Road in the MSU/Extension lower level conference room.

Pat Kelly, Chair