

**COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**  
**MARCH 5, 2012**  
**COUNTRY BOARD ROOM**  
**ONEIDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE**  
**RHINELANDER, WI 54501**

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Members present: Chairman Gary Baier  
Harland Lee  
Don Sidlowski  
Mark Pelletier  
John Hoffman  
John Young  
Billy Fried  
Mike Timmons

Department staff present: Karl Jennrich, Planning & Zoning Director  
Julie Petraitis, Planning & Zoning Secretary

Other county staff present: Brian Desmond, Corporation Counsel

Guests present: Dennis Lawrence, NCWRPC  
Marcus Neseman, Northwoods River News  
Carol Casadonte, Town of Little Rice  
Steve Margitan, Town of Little Rice  
Scot Holewinski, Town of Sugar Camp & County Board Supervisor  
Dick Dvorak, Town of Schoepke  
Bob Metropulos, Town of Newbold  
Bob Martini, Oneida County Lakes and Rivers  
Jay Verhulst, Foundation for Common Sense

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Call to order.

Chairman Gary Baier called the meeting to order at approximately 1:00 p.m., in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law. For the record, Tom Rudolph was excused.

Approve the agenda:

Motion by Don Sidlowski second by John Hoffman to approve the agenda. With all members present voting aye, the motion carried.

Chairman Baier introduced Mark Pelletier as a new member to the Comprehensive Planning Committee. Mr. Pelletier is representing the City of Rhinelanders taking the place of former member Bill Bell.

Approve meeting minutes of October 6, 2011.

Motion by John Hoffman second by Mike Timmons to approve the meeting minutes of October 6, 2011 as presented. With all members present voting aye, the motion carried.

Approve meeting minutes of October 25, 2011 – Sub-committee.

Motion by Harland Lee second by Don Sidlowski to approve the sub-committee meeting minutes of October 25, 2012 with the attachment of the changes as presented. With all members present voting aye the motion carried.

Public Comments

Scott Holewinski asked if they would be able to comment after item #6, since they do not know how the Committee will act on the agenda items.

Public comments will be accepted as long as it doesn't turn into a debate or public hearing.

Review August 8, 2011 revised Plan and December 26, 2011 proposed Alternate Plan.

Mr. Jennrich stated that he had sent two Memo's to the Committee prior to the meeting. One provided the Committee with an "Alternate" Plan that was submitted by Chairman Baier. The second Memo to the Committee reviewed what the Committee had worked on since the October 6, 2011 Comprehensive Planning meeting. At the October 6, 2011 meeting some of the Townships voiced concerns with the Draft Comprehensive Plan. A sub-committee was formed to meet and go over the concerns from the Towns and make changes to the Draft Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Baier commented that several Towns came up with an Alternate Plan. The work on the Alternate Plan was done through a Consultant. He stated that all the Towns in Oneida County have submitted some type of Plan, whether it is Coordination or Comprehensive.

Mr. Jennrich asked that, for the record, Mr. Baier let everyone know who developed the Alternate Plan, why it was developed and why it is believed to be a legal document or why it should replace the Comprehensive Plan the Committee has developed this far over the past three years.

Mr. Baier stated that six Towns, that have adopted Coordination Plans, sat down with a Consultant and looked at the Resolutions and developed an Alternate Plan. The Townships involved were Enterprise, Little Rice, Lynne, Nokomis, Schoepke and Sugar Camp. The Consultant was Jay Verhulst from the Foundation for Common Sense.

Mr. Sidlowski commented that the Alternate Plan states that it was developed by the Planning Oversight Committee, which it was not.

Mr. Baier stated that the Alternate Plan is another option for the County Board of Supervisors to review and vote on when the time comes.

Discussion was held on whether or not the Alternate Plan is a legal, binding document that could be adopted. Corporation Counsel, Brian Desmond, does not feel the Alternate Plan meets the criteria for a Comprehensive Plan.

Motion by Don Sidlowski to move ahead with the August 8, 2011 Comprehensive Plan with the changes approved today and forward to the Oneida County Board of Supervisors, second by Harland Lee. On roll call vote – Harland Lee, aye; Don Sidlowski, aye; Mark Pelletier, nay; John Hoffman, aye; John Young, aye; Gary Baier, nay; Billy Fried, aye; and Mike Timmons, aye. Majority vote rules the motion passed.

Approve Plan changes. Motion by John Young to approve the Plan changes with comments provided by the Towns, (copy attached) second by Don Sidlowski. All members present voting "aye", the motion carried.

Forward Comprehensive Plan to Oneida County Board of Supervisors for approval.

Motion by Mike Timmons for the Planning and Zoning staff to send out the revised Comprehensive Plan within the next week and request all comments be back to the Zoning Director by the last business day in April. The Committee will then meet in early May to review the changes. Second by Billy Fried and Don Sidlowski. With all members present voting "aye", the motion carried.

Future agenda items. The revised draft of the Comprehensive Plan.

Future meeting dates. First week of May, 2012.

Public Comments. Marcus Neleman asked for a confirmation of the decisions made today.

Adjourn.

At approximately 3:00 p.m. Mark Pelletier made a motion, second by Mike Timmons to adjourn the meeting with all members present voting "aye", the motion carried.

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Gary Baier, Chairman

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Karl Jennrich, Planning & Zoning Director