

ONEIDA COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING OVERSITE COMMITTEE
August 26, 2009 – 1:00 P.M.
COUNTY BOARD ROOM
ONEIDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE
RHINELANDER, WI 54501

Members present: Chairman Larry Greschner
Charles Wickman
Thomas Rudolph
John Young
John Hoffman
Harland Lee
Gary Baier
Lisa Kuczarski (for Bill Bell)
Donald Sidlowski

Department staff present: Karl Jennrich, Planning & Zoning Director
Steve Osterman, Planning Manager
Brian Desmond, Corporation Counsel

Other county staff present Julie Petraitis, Secretary
Peter Wolk, County Board Member
Jim Sharon, County Board Member

Guests present: Dennis Lawrence, North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning
Commission (NCWRPC)
Mike Agnew, North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning
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Kevin Jenkins, Northwoods Association of Realtors
Ruth Sproul, News of the North
Dan Kuzlik, Oneida County UW-Extension

Call to order.

Chairman Larry Greschner called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M., in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law.

Approve the agenda.

Motion by Tom Rudolph second by John Hoffman to approve the agenda. With all members present voting "aye", the motion carried.

Steve Osterman announced that forms for reimbursements for meetings can be obtained from Nancy in the Finance Department.

Approve Meeting Minutes of July 28, 2009

Gary Baier made a motion to approve the minutes as drafted second by Harland Lee. All members voting "aye", motion carried.

Lisa Kuczarski introduced herself. She is sitting in for Bill Bell.

Follow-up of last meeting.

Dennis Lawrence and Mike Agnew gave a re-cap of the July 28, 2009 meeting with a summary of concerns and the general reaction of everyone at the meeting. A handout was provided with the issues and concerns mentioned at the meeting along with notes taken by Mike Agnew.

Don Sidlowski mentioned that the word technology was missing from the summary.

Chuck Wickman suggested that Nicolet College should be mentioned under the "job" category.

Review of NCWRPC Work Agreement and current status.

At the last meeting this was discussed at length. A handout was provided summarizing the process of where we are and where we are heading reflecting changes made at the last meeting. There was also a handout reflecting the status of meetings within the County reflecting where each Township is in the planning stages.

It was agreed that the County would move forward with data from 2001 to present for planning purposes.

The question of funding for all twenty-one townships was brought up again. Chairman Greschner told the Committee that this was a matter that needed to be turned over to the Finance Department.

Dennis Lawrence replied that he has had initial discussions with Karl regarding this matter. Lawrence said that the way the agreement was set up is that it's a lump sum not to exceed...if it's not done it's reduced starting, say in the neighborhood of fifteen (15) to twenty (20) thousand, say per Town that aren't doing it. So you figure about fifty (50) to sixty (60) thousand dollars reduced off the lump sum. This is just a ball park that it would be. It will be modified at the end of the year, once a feel for what those Towns did or what they didn't do.

It was the suggestion of Corporation Counsel (Brian Desmond) that no negotiations be done until all Township Plans have been submitted.

Review Comprehensive Planning Resolutions adopted by the Oneida County Board of Supervisors.

Strike the financial portion of Resolution #116-08.

A motion by Jack Young second by Tom Rudolph, Gary Baier and Charles Wickman that Larry Greschner to make the presentation to the County Board regarding the Comprehensive Plan. All members voting "aye", motion carried.

Review Public Participation Plan.

Dennis Lawrence provided a handout with revisions that were talked about from the last meeting. This is something that is partnered with the law for all communities that are developing a Comprehensive Plan need to identify how they involve the public in the process. All local units need to comply with this as well.

A motion by Harland Lee second by Don Sidlowski to approve the Public Participation Plan and forward to the County Board of Supervisors for approval/adoption. All members voting "aye", motion carried.

Review of draft Natural Resource Chapter

Chairman Greschner voiced his dissatisfaction with NCWRPC for not having handouts ready for the Committee prior to the meeting. Dennis Lawrence explained that the handouts are distributed at each meeting for review for the next meeting.

Charles Wickman made a motion to acknowledge receipt of the draft of Natural Resource Chapter and will be considered at another time. Larry Greschner second the motion and amended it by striking items 8, 9 and 10 from today's agenda. Dennis Lawrence explained again that the handouts are distributed as "homework" for the next meeting. The intent is to make a brief overview of the materials not to make any decisions on them at the present meeting. Tom Rudolph reminded Chairman Greschner that the agenda was approved under item #2. The motion by Charles Wickman, second by Larry Greschner was withdrawn.

Harland Lee asked that NCWRPC send the handouts earlier to go out with the agendas so the Committee will have more time to review the materials. Discussion was held and suggestions made on ways to handle future agendas and materials for review.

Identify and discuss Natural Resource Issues.

Dan Kuzlik of the Oneida County UW-Extension asked to speak. He suggested that the Natural Resources chapter expand the invasive species section. Not just the aquatic but the terrestrial also and that the air quality issue also be expanded.

Inventory of school forest lands

This Plan is designed to inform the decisions of the County as it affects land use regulations. The Plan is separate from the existing Zoning regulations that affect any property owner in the County that is under zoning. The point of doing a plan like this is to create a framework within which the County will make land use decisions in the future.

Formulate Natural Resource goals, objectives and policies.

Handouts were provided for review to bring back to discuss at the next meeting. Mike Agnew gave a brief overview of Oneida County relating to Natural Resources.

Approve future meeting dates: September 30, 2009 9:00 a.m.

Public comments.

Tom Blake, WI DNR, asked the Committee to consider Emerald Ash Borer

Future agenda items.

The language needs to be considered

Goals, objectives and policies need to be expanded upon

Review issues and opportunities

Adjourn.

2:47 p.m. There being no further matters to lawfully come before the Committee, a motion was made by Tom Rudolph, second by John Hoffman to adjourn the meeting. With all members present voting "aye", the motion carried.

Chairman Larry Greschner

Karl Jennrich
Planning & Zoning Director