

LAND USE COMMITTEE

Minutes of Land Use and Zoning and Planning Joint Meeting

February 17, 2009

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Agenda Item #1: Call to Order: Chris Mayer, Chair for the Land Use Committee called the Joint Meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. on February 17, 2009, at the Vilas County Courthouse, Conference Rooms 1, 2, & 3, 330 Court Street, Eagle River, WI. Introductions were made of all those present.

Land Use Members Present: Chris Mayer, Steve Favorite, Jim Behling.

Zoning and Planning Members Present: Bob Egan, Maynard Bedish, Jack Harrison.

Others Present: Dawn Schmidt, Zoning Administrator; Martha Milanowski, Corporation Counsel; Tammy Baughman, Secretary; Todd Wiese, Town Rep. St Germain; Chuck Champeny, Town Rep. Conover; John Kimbrell, Town Rep. Sayner; John Vojta, Town Rep. St. Germain; Brian Uttech, Town Rep. Lincoln; Dan Sleight, Town Rep. Manitowish Waters; Chuck Rayala III, Town Rep. Manitowish Waters; Mike Bartling, Town Rep. Manitowish Waters; Darlene Wasielewski, Town Rep. Land O' Lakes; Joe Eisele, Town Rep. Cloverland; Donna Brand, Phelps; Bob Brand, Phelps; Eugene D. McCaslin, Phelps; Marshall Reckard, Town Rep. Presque Isle; David Alleman, Washington Town Board; Sue Ackland, Town Rep. Lac du Flambeau; Jeff Long, Town Rep. Boulder Junction; Carolyn Scholl, LWCD; Barb Gibson, Mapping Department; and Ken Anderson.

Agenda Item #2: Approve Agenda: Motion by Jim Behling, second by Steve Favorite to approve Agenda. All aye, motion carried.

Agenda Item #3: Approve Minutes: Motion by Steve Favorite, second by Jim Behling to approve 11/3/08 minutes. All aye, motion carried.

Agenda Item #4: Schedule future meeting dates: The Committee Member's and Town Representative's received a handout of the Joint Tentative Meeting Dates, the Vilas County Comprehensive Plan Planning Process Outline Draft, and the Draft Plan Review and Anticipated Changes. "Meeting 1" is scheduled for March 11 at 9:00 a.m.; Agenda Items will be as outlined in the Planning Process Outline Draft. Four tentative joint meetings were scheduled with the Zoning and Planning Committee, March 23, at 10:00 a.m.; April 24, at 9:00 a.m.; May 22, at 9:00 a.m.; June 22, at 9:00 a.m. Informational draft updates from the March 11th meeting will be available on March 23rd. Open discussion with Town Representative's will be an agenda item at the joint meetings.

Agenda Items #5, 6, & 7: Open Discussion on Comprehensive Planning with Town Representatives and review outline and anticipated changes. Dawn gave a brief overview of her meeting with Dennis Lawrence, North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission on 1/26/09. She informed the towns within Vilas County that they are required to have a Comprehensive Plan if they have a land division, subdivision or have adopted a zoning ordinance. Martha responded to Jack's question regarding future rezone requests stating they would still have to come to the town and then the county, if the town has its own town zoning. All amendments must receive County Board approval. The committee would like the towns to revisit their adopted plan every year to make sure it fits with their own town changes. This committee is not interested in doing anything contrary to the towns completed plans. Bob suggests the towns should diligently work on their plans in the next four months, before the County adopts the whole plan. Michael Bartling, Manitowish Waters would like to formally request to try and utilize what they submitted to the County. The committee asked if the Town Representative's were satisfied with day time meetings and the Representative's would like to keep them during the day. Informational draft updates from the Land Use meetings will be available, as handout, at the joint meetings. Vilas County is looking to add these four new zoning districts to the County's ordinance, Lakeshore Residential/Resort; Lakeshore Recreation; Rural Residential/ Light Mixed Use; and Wooded Residential.

Agenda Item #8: Letters and Communications: A letter was received from Jeffrey Sanders, Omni Associates informing the committee the Town of Three Lakes has begun the process of developing its Comprehensive Plan. Martha will research our obligation to notify adjacent towns to Vilas County of our comprehensive planning process.

Agenda Item #9: Public Comments: Manitowish Waters recently completed their land use plan and have 8 Zoning Districts. They include Agricultural/Forestry and Government/State Government District, as there is a lot of state land in this County. It was suggested that definitions need to be broad enough to encompass those who have already drafted plans. Marshall says if a town has its own zoning then it must adopt its own comprehensive plan.

Agenda Item #10: Adjourn: Motion by Jack Harrison, second by Jim Behling to adjourn the Land Use/Zoning and Planning Committee Joint Meeting. All aye, motion carried. Adjourned at 2:10 p.m.