Pursuant to Section 19.84, Wisconsin Statutes, notice is hereby given that the Iowa County Zoning, Planning, Sanitation and Rural Planning Commission will hold a public meeting on Wed. July 20, 2005 at 6:00PM, or as soon thereafter as possible, in the County Board Room of the Iowa County Courthouse in the City of Dodgeville, Wisconsin. For information regarding access for the disabled, please call 935-0399.

Minutes

1. Call to order. Ehr called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

2. Roll Call. Godfrey read the roll.
   Committee present: Bill Ehr; Curt Peterson; Dale Theobald
   Staff present: Scott A. Godfrey; Mike Bindl; Cristina Pearson

3. Certification of notice for this meeting. Godfrey stated this meeting has been duly noticed as required by law.
   Motion to accept by Peterson
   Second by Theobald
   Motion carries

4. Approval of agenda
   Motion to approve the agenda as proposed by Peterson
   Second by Theobald
   Motion carries

5. Motion to go into closed session pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(g) for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is likely to become involved. Discussion of geodatabase.

   Motion to go into closed session as noticed by Theobald
   Second by Peterson
   Motion carries

   Present in closed session in addition to committee: Scott A. Godfrey; Cristina Pearson,
6. Motion to return to open session with possible action on the discussion under closed session.

   Motion to return to open session by Peterson
   Second by Lind
   Motion carries

   Motion to inform the party that we will not pursue litigation at this time by Theobald
   Second by Lind
   Motion carries

7. Discussion with Information Systems Office on procedures for acquiring software and hardware. Possible action.

   Present in addition to committee and staff: Dana Parry (IS Committee chair); Amy Kaup (IS Director)

   Godfrey asked whether training and maintenance, whether for hardware or software, also require IS Committee review and approval. Parry responded that the IS Dept. should be requested to review maintenance and training as well.

   Motion by (none taken)
   Second by
   Motion carries

8. Consideration of software training. Possible action.

   Present in addition to committee and staff: Dana Parry (IS Committee chair); Amy Kaup (IS Director)

   Pearson stated that there is a need for her to be trained in the newly acquired ESRI GIS software and presented the next training opportunities for consideration.

   Kaup has contacted ESRI and learned there is another optional form of training where an ESRI technician will come at a charge and address questions. She stated that her preference is to not take a multi-day training course but to rather work with the software herself and consider the “rent a tech” ESRI option.

   Lind commented that the training for those people using the software on a daily basis is important. He recommended supporting the training.

   Parry stated that the out-of-state travel would require Finance approval. Finance will request justification, other options, total cost of travel and expenses, etc.

   Godfrey played the digital sound recording from the Jan. 19, 2005 meeting.

   Motion by Peterson to change in Section 3.2, item 3 under permitted principal uses to read “Farmstead dwellings, when no longer used as a farm dwelling, may be rented.”
   Second by Lind
   Motion carries

   Ehr stated there will eventually need to be a public hearing to change the ordinance.

10. Discussion of increasing this committee’s size from five members to seven. Possible action.

    Consensus is to bring this issue to the Committee on Committees with the reasons to support.

    Motion by (none taken)
    Second by
    Motion carries

11. Consideration of public hearing date to amend the Iowa County Comprehensive Plan. Possible action.

    Godfrey stated that the Town of Arena held a public hearing to consider amending the town’s comprehensive plan. If action was taken to amend the town plan, the county plan needs to be amended likewise for implementation.

    Consensus to wait until Arena makes a decision.

    Motion by
    Second by
    Motion carries

12. Discussion of written town recommendation content for public hearings. Possible action.

    Godfrey and Bindl stated that the town recommendation forms that have been created to reflect each individual town plan’s siting criteria are being turned in incomplete. The forms ask for reasoning on how each criterion is met or not met so that there will be a clear record in the public hearing. They asked the committee for its opinion on whether a letter should be sent to the towns from the committee stating no action will be taken on hearings with incomplete town recommendation forms.

    Discussion was to add more details to the form based on each town’s plan specifics.
Motion by Lind for the county to not act unless the forms are completed  
Second by Theobald  
Motion carries with Peterson opposing and Theobald abstaining  
Consensus to enhance the forms as much as possible, especially for the density standards.

13. Consideration of WI DNR/FEMA model floodplain ordinance. Possible action.  
 Godfrey and Bindl presented the FEMA/DNR mandated model floodplain ordinance and discussed possible changes.  
Motion by Theobald to invite the DNR and FEMA to a future meeting to address some of the committee concerns and questions  
Second by Peterson  
Motion carries

 Godfrey presented the town resolution requesting the county plan be amended to remove certain language and that the signs provisions of the county zoning ordinance be amended.  
Peterson said this resolution was created when the town was considering to adopt the revised zoning ordinance.  
Godfrey asked if there is the possibility for the town to be more precise in exactly what language is at question and for what reasons.  
Motion by Peterson to include the resource element discussion when there is a scheduled public hearing on amending the plan  
Second by Theobald  
Motion carries

15. Discussion of Section 8.0 of the Iowa County Zoning Ordinance. Possible action.  
 Ehr stated he would like to have a notice published requesting public input on how, if at all, the sign regulations within the county zoning ordinance should be changed. From this input, a decision will have to be made as to whether this committee will embark upon the amendment process.  
Consensus to put in paper and send to town officials a request for written comments on Section 8.0 of the Iowa County Zoning Ordinance regulating signs to gauge public interest in a public hearing.  
Motion by (none taken)  
Second by  
Motion carries

16. Review and action on expenditures/vouchers.  
Motion to approve the vouchers by Theobald
Second by Peterson
Motion carries

17. Discussion of next meeting agenda. Possible action.

Consensus to discuss the next business meeting agenda at next week’s zoning hearings

18. Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn by Peterson
Second by Theobald
Motion carries. Adjourned at 8:58pm

Scott A. Godfrey
Director