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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. Sept. 21, 2005 at 6:00PM**, or as soon thereafter as possible, in the **Veteran's Library** of the Iowa County Courthouse in the City of Dodgeville, Wisconsin. For information regarding access for the disabled, please call 935-0399.

Minutes

*approved Sept. 28, 2005

1. Call to order. Ehr called to order at 6:00pm
2. Roll Call. Godfrey read the roll.
Committee Present: Bill Ehr; Diane McGuire; Dale Theobald; John Lind
Committee Absent: Curt Peterson (came at 6:12pm)
Staff Present: Scott A. Godfrey; Mike Bindl; Cristina Pearson
3. Certification of notice for this meeting. Godfrey stated this meeting has been posted and noticed as required by law.

Motion to approve by McGuire
Second by Lind
Motion carries.

4. Review and approval of the Aug. 24, 2005 meeting minutes.

Motion to approve by Lind
Second by McGuire
Motion carries.

5. Approval of agenda

Motion to approve by McGuire
Second by Lind
Motion carries.

6. The Committee shall entertain motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to Sec. 19.85(1)(c) consideration of employment, promotion, compensation, and performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the government body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. (Employee incident)

Motion to go into closed session by Lind

Second by McGuire

Motion carries

Motion to invite Cristina Pearson into closed session.

Theobald seconds.

Motion carries.

7. Return to open session. Possible action.

Motion to return to open session by Theobald

Second by Lind

Motion carries

8. Report of parcel mapping status and consideration of parcel mapping RFP award. Possible action.

Cristina reported that the 2004 parcel mapping maintenance is now complete so the contracting for the 2005 can be let.

Godfrey summarized the five submitted proposals, which were reviewed by IS Director Amy Kaup, Cristina and himself. They recommend Ayres Associates for its comprehensiveness.

Peterson moves to award the contract to Ayres Associates.

Second by Lind

Motion carries

9. Consideration of GIS website update options and policy. Possible action.

Cristina handed out a listing of options for updating the GIS website. She further explained the required process to convert geodatabase data for uploading to a website. Her recommendation is to send out an RFP for Website hosting and upgrading to verify if the present contract is relative to the market and to update the site with 2005 parcel changes only, versus adding the 2004 parcels that would only be viewable for a period of a few weeks.

Motion to put out RFP by Lind with provision review includes the IS Department

McGuire seconds.

Motion carries.

10. Consideration of model floodplain ordinance. Possible action.

Godfrey stated that he and Mike put together a draft and submitted it to the DNR for comment on Sept. 14th. No comment has been made as of yet. Godfrey stated that statutes do mandate counties to enforce a floodplain ordinance that is approved by the DNR.

Consensus was to await the DNR comments before taking action.

11. Consideration of 2006 Office budget and related ideas. Possible action.

Godfrey explained Finance wanted an explanation why towns and the county both issue permits. He said there is confusion between the state-mandated uniform dwelling building code enforcement and permits issued under zoning authority. He put together a letter of explanation and sought input before sending.

Consensus was to send the letter.

12. Consideration of additional regulation of adult entertainment establishments. Possible action.

Supervisor Peter Berg has expressed concern that the present county ordinance may be open to challenge and recommends looking into strengthening the ordinance so that they are effectively prohibited. Discussion included the fact that towns are free to adopt local ordinances that are more restrictive and that this would be preferred as opposed to trying to get consensus among fourteen towns.

Consensus is to not open the ordinance for amendment at this time and to monitor the concerns of the towns on this matter.

13. Update and discussion on the following initiatives: Godfrey gave a brief update on the following items.

- a) Filling vacant GIS Technician position
 - The application deadline is this Friday and there are already some encouraging applicants.
- b) Comprehensive plan amendments and town workshop on Oct. 5th
 - The Town of Highland has amended its plan, so there needs to be a county hearing scheduled. The towns of Mineral Point, Linden and Pulaski are also considering plan amendments. The Oct. 5th workshop will explain the legal procedures to amend the plan and encourage towns to not take amending their plans lightly as there can be unwanted consequences.

- c) Floodplain/Shoreland permitting coordination with WI DNR and LCD
 - Due to changes in the DNR permitting process, the county is often notified of projects requiring county permits after they have started or, in some cases, are completed. The DNR now issues General Permits, which are essentially a self-issued permit via their website. The process change was urged by the Legislature for expediency.
 - Since many Land Conservation Dept. projects involve the floodway or shoreland areas, county permits are required. An effort is underway to better coordinate the permitting process with the LCD as well as the NRCS.

- d) STH 18/151 limited access study
 - The WI DOT is considering the stretch of STH 18-51 between Verona and Dodgeville to be a freeway and is preparing a plan that would remove virtually all at-grade intersections over time. This necessitates local communities to plan for development with the limited access to the highway in mind.

- e) NR115 Shoreland Zoning rewrite
 - The DNR has acknowledged that the NR115 rewrite will go nowhere with the Legislature unless the counties are willing to enforce it. At this time, the WI Counties Assoc. has stated that the present draft rule is too detailed and creates a significant increase in workload to counties. A new draft is forthcoming.

- f) ATCP51 Large Livestock siting and DATCP's Working Land Initiative
 - The DATCP Board has approved the Aug. 8th final draft of this rule and it is anticipated to be approved by the Legislature.
 - The rule heavily favors the creation and expansion of large livestock facilities with little regard to local community planning.
 - It will be a challenge to educate the public of the impact of this rule in limiting local authority to site these facilities. The only option is to zone land to a district that does not allow agricultural uses, which would contradict the Farmland Preservation Plan and convert agricultural land to other uses.

- g) Iowa County Airport planning process
 - The process is moving forward with the Airport Commission awaiting how the towns of Linden and Mineral Point may amend their comprehensive plans.

- h) Town interest in amending county address ordinance
 - There was only one town response to amending the ordinance to allow towns to procure signs. It was in opposition.
 - Contact will be made with local emergency services to ask whether the signs themselves are adequate.

- i) conservation subdivision design
 - It was discussed that this may be an option to encourage the preservation of open space or farmland and to encourage clustering of residential development.
 - Where supported by the market, this design can often be more desirable than the “cookie cutter” subdivisions currently being approved.
- j) Mineral Point ETZ status
 - It is still unclear whether there will be the required permanent ETZ ordinance in place by the January deadline. If there is not, the zoning jurisdiction will revert back to the county.

14. Review and action on expenditures/vouchers.

Motion to approve by McGuire
Second by Theobald
Motion carries.

15. Discussion of next meeting agenda. Possible action.

Godfrey mentioned the need for a hearing at the county level to amend the county comprehensive plan to reflect the Town of Highland’s amendment.

Motion by Peterson to hold a public hearing on Nov. 10th on amending the county comprehensive plan to reflect the Town of Highland’s changes and to also have our regular business meeting that night
Second by McGuire
Motion carries with Lind opposing

16. Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn by Theobald
Second by McGuire
Motion carries. Adjourned at 8:54pm

Scott A. Godfrey
Director