

LAND USE COMMITTEE

Minutes of Land Use Planning Meeting

August 12, 2009

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Agenda Item #1: Call to Order: Chris Mayer, Chair, called the Land Use Planning Meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. on August 12, 2009, at the Vilas County Courthouse, Conference Rooms 1 & 2 at 330 Court Street, Eagle River, WI.

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

Others Present: Dawn Schmidt, Zoning Administrator; Tammy Baughman, Secretary; Adam Grassl and Barb Gibson Mapping Department; Cheryl Sturtevant; Francine Gough; Marshall Reckard; Maynard Bedish; Bob Egan; James Lynn; Kelly Haverkamp.

Agenda Item #2: Approve Agenda: Motion by James Behling, second by Steve Favorite to approve today's Land Use Planning Agenda. All aye, motion carried.

Agenda Item #3: Approve Minutes: Motion by Steve Favorite, second by James Behling to approve the 5/22/09 and the 7/22/09 meeting minutes. All aye, motion carried.

Agenda Item #4: Review Draft Land Use Chapter: Chris turns the meeting over to Dennis from North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission to discuss the Draft Land Use Chapter. Jim asks if the draft chapters could be reviewed by the committee prior to the meeting; however, Dennis said with such a tight schedule and only one other chapter to review, he will hand them out at the next meeting. Next month's meeting is a continuation of this meeting. Dennis hands out Chapter 7. "Land Use". This chapter has changed more than any of the other chapters. Dennis discusses the Introduction, County Resources, and General Recreation Plan, Previous Planning Efforts and Local with the members. Steve will provide Dennis with the date the County's Outdoor Recreation Plan was adopted. Marshall Reckard, Town Representative for Presque Isle notes they will have their plan adopted by the end of the year. Dawn will give Dennis a copy of Boulder Junction's Comprehensive Plan Resolution. Dawn is requested to provide Dennis with the latest Subdivision Ordinance update. Dennis said table 7.1: Existing Ordinances and Plans summarizes the existing ordinances and comprehensive plan status for the 14 towns in the county. Dawn will give Dennis an updated Town Zoning chart to update the draft. There are 10 Generalized Existing Land Use categories. In the Table 7-2: Generalized Existing Land Use, providing us with the acres and percents of each specific category the future land use, population, transportation, jobs, and Economic Development, were discussed. The table 7-5 is blank until the future map is complete.

Agenda Item #5: Review Existing Land Use Map: Agenda Item #6: Discussion related to Future Land Use: Dennis hands out the copy of the Generalized Existing Land Use Map and the Future Land Use Draft Map showing Lac du Flambeau's completed map in color. The crisscross marks in the Future Land Use Draft Map showed towns that are in the process of being completed. Town's not done on the map are Winchester, Presque Isle, Manitowish Waters, Boulder Junction, Plum Lake, St. Germain, Cloverland, Eagle River, Lincoln and Washington. It was discussed how the county feels about town's who have not adopted a new plan since Foth and VanDyke and if the county wants NCWRPC to drop the old information into the plan. Members think the definitions and legend should be broad enough to include the towns. This way you won't have to make a plan change every time you make a future zoning change. The members would like resorts added under Commercial, just as the majority of the town's did. Maynard questions why we have to have a Comprehensive Plan. Chris explains the County, along with certain towns that enforce a zoning ordinance, is required by the State Law to complete a plan by January 2010. The towns that don't have their own town zoning can complete their own plan or they can adopt the county's plan. Dennis informed the members that more towns will be formatted into the map and all should be completed by October. The full set of utility and DOT maps will be available by the next meeting.

Agenda Item #7: Review revised Economic Development's Goals, Objectives, and Policies: Dennis handed out Chapter 6 Goals, Objectives and Policies and Bob Egan informs the member's that the Economic Development Committee reviewed and updated this line by line. Dennis said a copy of Chapter 6, 2, and 7 will be revised for next month's meeting.

Agenda Item #8: Meeting Date: The next scheduled Land Use Meeting is September 21, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.

Agenda Item #9: Public Comments: Cheryl Sturtevant asks “if you are trying to encourage business?” Chris said it all depends on the township you reside in. Bob commented that Phelps is trying to be one of the least restrictive and trying to promote more business.

Agenda Item #10: Adjournment: Motion by Jim Behling, second by Steve Favorite to adjourn the Land Use Planning meeting at 2:30 p.m.