

Minutes of Land Use, Parks and Environment Committee
Tuesday, May20 , 2008

Chair Ruf called the meeting to order at 8:33 a.m. and led the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Committee Present: Supervisors Fritz Ruf (Chair), Janel Brandtjen (arrived at 8:37 a.m.), Robert Hutton (left at 10:34 a.m.), James Jeskewitz, Walter Kolb, Ted Rolfs and Gilbert Yerke.

Also Present: Citizen Tom Crichton, Planning and Zoning Manager Dick Mace, Land Resources Manager Perry Lindquist, Solid Waste Supervisor Karen Fiedler, Land Information Systems Manager Don Dittmar, Legislative Policy Advisor Mark Mader, and Legislative Associate Karen Phillips.

Approve Minutes of May 6, 2008

Jeskewitz moved, second by Yerke, to approve the minutes of the May 6, 2008, meeting. Motion carried 6-0.

Correspondence

1. Letter dated 4/3/2008 from Duane Grimm, Park System Manager, to the Muskego Lions Club regarding special event fees / requirements for use the park system. (Copies distributed to members)
2. Email dated 4/23/2008 regarding Waukesha County's Sustainability Plan to Protect the Environment (Copies distributed to members)
3. Letter dated 5/8/2008, regarding the Humane Animal Welfare Society Building expansion and enlargement.
4. Letter dated 5/6/2008, from the State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources regarding the proposed State purchase of land for the Statewide Public Access in the Town of Oconomowoc.

Mader reminded committee members to bring the copy of the letter regarding parks fees (item #1.), as the issue will be addressed in the next meeting.

Jeskewitz asked about an issue in Sussex

Brandtjen arrived at 8:37 a.m.

Executive Committee Report

Ruf summarized the items discussed at the May 19, 2008, Executive Committee meeting.

- Report on Completed Information Technology Projects
- Historical and Long Term Plans for Building, Renovating and Maintaining the Courthouse ("Courthouse Thoughts")

Brandtjen requested a copy of the handout, "Courthouse Thoughts".

Meeting Approvals

Ruf requested approval for his attendance at the Water Use Meeting held at the Country Springs Hotel, hosted by the Business Journal.

MOTION: Jeskewitz moved, Brandtjen second, to approve attendance at the Water Use Meeting at the Country Springs Hotel. Motion carried 7-0.

Future Meeting Dates

- June 3, 2008

Rolfs will not be present at the June 3, 2008 meeting.

Legislative Update

Ruf stated both the Budget Repair Bill and the Great Lakes Water Compact were passed.

Discuss and Consider Ordinance 163-O-001: Amend The Zoning District Map Of The Town Of Delafield Zoning Ordinance By Conditionally Rezoning Certain Lands Located In Part Of The SE ¼ Of Section 10, T7N, R18E, Town Of Delafield, Waukesha County, Wisconsin, From The A-1 Agricultural District To The R-2 Residential District (ZT-1670)

Mace pointed out the location of the property located on Maple Avenue in the Town of Delafield. He explained the petitioner is proposing to replace a shed on his property that he recently moved. The current zoning requires that 95% of the lot shall remain in open space. The new shed will not comply with the open space requirement of the A-1 district, necessitating the proposed change. Because the property is used for residential purposes, it would be appropriate to place it in a category that is intended for residential purposes (R-2).

It was noted that the pages 2-7 of Ordinance 163-O-001 were incorrectly numbered as 163-O-002. Mader discussed means of correcting the numbering of the ordinance before its presentation to the County Board. It was decided that Chairman Dwyer will announce this correction at the May 27 County Board meeting.

Mace stated the Town Plan Commission recommended approval of the zoning change, and the Town Board approved the zoning amendment with the condition that the land shall never be split into two or more parcels.

MOTION: Hutton moved, second by Rolfs, to approve Ordinance 163-O-001. Motion carried 7-0.

Discuss and Consider Ordinance 163-O-002: Amend The Waukesha County Shoreland And Floodland Protection Ordinance District Zoning Map For Lands Annexed By The City Of Oconomowoc By Rezoning Certain Lands Located In The Se ¼ Of Section 10, T7N, R17E, City Of Oconomowoc From The B-4 Community Business And R-3 Residential Districts To The P-I Public And Institutional District And To Waive The Application Of Condition No. 2 Of Enrolled Ordinance 155-86 Regarding Intrusion On Shoreland Setbacks To Provide For A Stormwater Retention And Infiltration Basin (SVZ-1392A)

Mace explained the location of the property, present zoning and present land usage as vacant pasture. He reviewed the proposed zoning request and the proposed usage for a City of Oconomowoc Fire Station and a stormwater management basin. A public hearing was held on April 9, 2008, and the Plan Commission recommended in favor of the proposed amendment and to modify a previously enrolled ordinance to provide for the storm water retention and infiltration basin. The City of Oconomowoc Common Council endorsed the Plan Commission's recommendation.

Mace further explained there would be little or no impact on the overall natural conditions that lie on this site. The most significant portions of this property will continue to be protected and preserved.

Rolfs moved, second by Hutton, to approve Ordinance 163-O-002. Motion carried 7-0.

Overview of the Land Use, Parks and Environmental Department and Introduction of Staff: Land Information and Land Resources

Land Information: Dittmar demonstrated the GIS System on the County website and explained the how

the land parcel locations are linked to digital mapping and databases concerning property information. He further explained how the files containing the land parcel data are linked to the digital maps via geospatial software and continued by providing examples of the program capabilities.

Dittmar explained how the Land Information System maintains street and address files (street centerline data) for use by the Waukesha County Communications Center, emergency management, environmental health and public health applications.

Dittmar stated the Division's activities are fully funded by document recording fees and require no County tax levy. For each document recorded in the Register of Deeds Office, \$5.00 is retained for the Land Records efforts; \$4.00 is used for land records activities and modernization; \$1.00 is used for providing land information via the internet.

Land Resources:

Lindquist presented an overview of the Land Resource Division, which includes Land and Water Conservation and Materials Recycling. He covered the following program areas: Recycling; Education & Outreach; Landfills; Yard Waste Composting; Household and Agricultural Hazardous Waste; Agricultural Erosion & Runoff Control; Urban Erosion & Storm Water Management; Conservation Education; and Current Issues and Initiatives.

Rolfs asked if there is a special collection program for disposal of prescription drugs. Fiedler explained there is a new mail back medicine collection program that is listed on the County website. It is a pilot program sponsored by grant funds to see if a mail back program would be effective. This is one way to offer people a responsible option for now until more information can be learned about proper disposal methods and effects on the environment.

Hutton left at 10:34 a.m.

Overview of the Materials Recycling Facility (MRF) Study

Lindquist presented an overview of the "Waukesha County Recycling System & Capacity Study 2007":

Lindquist reviewed the background of the County program, stating the County is responsible for the recycling in 25 of the 37 communities. The MRF is County-owned and its operation is contracted to the private sector, processing an average of 24,000 tons per year. The last expansion to the current facility was in 1995. It operates a dual-stream system (paper is collected/processed separate from containers). The communities with contracts pay for collection, and dividends are shared with the communities from the MRF fund balance.

Lindquist went over the three-year MRF fund projections. He continued to explain that the MRF can handle future dual stream for the short term; however, the container processing line is over capacity and tip floor and baled storage spaces are not adequate.

Lindquist discussed the future need for the MRF expansion or new construction, explaining the difficulties of expanding in the current location. He reviewed the collection trend toward the single-stream system. The haulers favor single-stream because it saves them money, and most people are in favor of it because it is much easier to put all types of recyclable materials in one large bin rather than separating them. Lindquist reviewed the MRF options for the future and the key findings of the study. He continued by going over the recommendations of the study, which strongly recommends a single-stream system. He discussed the possibility and issues of a regional MRF. Lindquist reviewed the

County response to the recommendations, and summarized the points to consider as steps are taken for the future.

Ruf requested that a paper copy of the Power Point presentation be made available for the Committee members. He invited Lindquist to appear before the LUPE Committee again after they tour the MRF in future, and after this overview is presented to the other Committees.

Kolb moved, second by Jeskewitz, to adjourn the meeting at 11:27 a.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Jeskewitz
Secretary