



Dexter Township

planning commission

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REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

Tuesday, December 5, 2006 7:30 PM

Present: John Shea, Chair; James Gorenflo, Vice Chair; Marcia Ottoman, Township Board Representative; and Mary Adams.

Also present: Patrick Sloan, Director of Planning and Zoning.

Absent: Hank Byma.

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 PM.

I. Approval of Agenda - Motion by Gorenflo, supported by Ottoman, to approve agenda as submitted. **Carried 4-0.**

Motion by Gorenflo, supported by Adams, to appoint Ottoman as Secretary. **Carried.**

II. Approval of the Minutes – for November 28, 2006 - Motion by Gorenflo, supported by Ottoman, to approve as amended. **Carried 4-0**

III. Public Comment - None

IV. Action Items -

Commissioners discussed item two (2) before item one (1).

2) Discuss Up Dating the General Development Plan -

Sloan's memo, dated November 30, 2006, outlining his recommended revision for up dating the General Development Plan (GDP) was reviewed and the commissioners concurred that making revisions and bringing the General Development Plan up to date should be their top priority.

Shea asked Sloan to draft a memo defining the steps for the proposed updates to the GDP and to collect feasible published data and identify what needs to be addressed. He also asked that he include a time table for the project and determine a ball park cost out for each step for budgeting purposes. Shea requested a meeting with Sloan and Pat Kelly to go over the projects feasibility before full review from the planning commission.

Commissioners discussed initiating a community survey. Shea said, it has been sixteen years since the last survey was completed and he was in favor of conducting a new one. Shea asked Sloan to identify what the process would be, with all available options, if they were to conduct a survey.

Gorenflo said he would like to see the public involved as much as possible through the process when up dating the GDP. He questioned the viability for conducting a new survey and what its effectiveness would generate.

Ottoman said there would be a mix of residents answering the survey. She would suggest dividing them into two groups, recent/new and long-term ~~team~~, which would allow for a more effective survey result.

Shea will contact Sloan and Kelly and schedule a meeting to review the GDP process.

1) Discuss and Prioritize Future Planning Issues -

The Dexter Township Joint meeting minutes, dated August 29, 2006, outlining the future issues that need to be address by the planning commission were reviewed.

Sloan will have an 2007 agenda outline for the planning commissions review at the first scheduled meeting in January. Additionally, he will draft a memo for the commissioner's review, as needed, per meeting stating the specific action item being addressed and its status. He will keep Steven Burch, Chair of the Zoning Board of Appeals, informed and updated as to the planning commissions action on each item and/or amendment.

IV. Concerns of Commission Members, Director of Planning and Zoning, Supervisor, and Recording Secretary-

Sloan asked if the planning commission would consider reviewing Dexter Park on the first Tuesday of the month in January?

Shea replied, No. Business meetings are scheduled on the fourth Tuesday of each month and working session are scheduled on the first Tuesday of the month.

VI. Public Comment - None

VII. Future Agenda Items -

Tuesday, December 26, 2006

1) Birmingham, Shared Driveway Application

Tuesday, January 2, 2007 – Work Session

- 1) Follow up on General Development Plan and Process
- 2) Discuss Wetlands Protection Ordinance

VIII. Adjournment – Shea, Chair, declared meeting adjourned at 9:04 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Jordan, Recording Secretary

Marcia Ottoman, Acting Secretary