

**ONEIDA COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING OVERSITE COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 6, 2011
COUNTY BOARD ROOM
ONEIDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE
RHINELANDER, WI 54501**

Members present: Chairman Gary Baier
Michael Timmons
Billy Fried
Don Sidlowski
Tom Rudolph
Harland Lee
John Young
John Hoffman

Department staff present: Karl Jennrich, Planning & Zoning Director
Hans Hare, Planning & Zoning Intern
Julie Petraitis, Secretary

Other county staff present: Brian Desmond,

Guests present: Dennis Lawrence, NCWRPC
Darryl Landeau, NCWRPC
Carole Kroeger, Town of Enterprise
Bob Mott, Town of Schoepke
Vicki Vauk Smith, Town of Enterprise
Elmo Roach, Town of Enterprise
Sue Brautigam, Town of Enterprise
Jay Verhulst, Foundation for Common Sense

***A new recording machine was used and it was very difficult to hear.**

Call to order.

Chairman Gary Baier called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M., in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law.

Discussion/decision of the agenda.

Motion by John Hoffman, second by Mike Timmons to approve the agenda. With all members present voting "aye", the motion carried.

Discussion/decision of the meeting minutes of July 15, 2011.

Motion by John Hoffman, second by Tom Rudolph to approve the July 15, 2011 meeting minutes with no corrections or additions. With all members present voting "aye", the motion carried.

Public Comments.

Karl Jennrich, Zoning Director, stated for the record that correspondence from the Town of Little Rice, Schoepke, Lynne, Nokomis and Enterprise Taxpayer Coalition (ETC), were received and are available for review if anyone wanted them. (Copies attached)

Carole Kroeger from the Town of Enterprise spoke about the zoning changes in the Town of Enterprise in 2000.

Bob Mott from the Town of Schoepke spoke about petitioning the Town of Schoepke not to change the zoning from Single Family Residential to General Use in their Land Use Plan.

Vicki Vauk Smith, also from the Town of Enterprise, spoke about wanting the zoning changed from General Use to Single Family Residential around Pelican Lake in the Town of Enterprise. She and a few other Town residents conducted a survey to show that residents around the lake are in favor of this. The residents of Enterprise are frustrated that the Town Coordination Plan Committee won't listen to their requests and were hoping the Comprehensive Planning Committee could help them get the zoning changed. (Copy attached)

Elmo Roach from the Town of Enterprise spoke about how there was no Public Participation Plan in the Town of Enterprise to adopt the Coordination Plan. Mr. Roach stated that the leadership of the Town of Enterprise is not interested in public commentary. He stated that the people of the Town of Enterprise have no objections to Coordination if it is done correctly.

Sue Brautigam of Enterprise read a letter from Don Oremus, also from Enterprise, stating that he had volunteered to be on the Comprehensive Planning Committee for the Town. He attended one meeting and was not notified of any more meetings after that. When he was notified, he did see a map that indicated Single Family Zoning around the lake. Those maps have since disappeared.

Mr. Verhulst asked if there was any possible zoning change that would come before the Comprehensive Planning Oversight Committee. There would not be any zoning changes that would come before the Comprehensive Planning Oversight Committee.

Mr. Roach stated that the people who have spoken didn't ask for a zoning change they are asking for an amendment to the Comprehensive Planning Document.

Chairman Baier stated that the Comprehensive Planning Oversight Committee doesn't accept or deny Town Land Use Plans. The Committee will ask for recommendations from

North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning to make sure all nine elements that are required have been met.

He stated that the Committee has waited a long time and that all the Town's in the County have finally submitted their Plans.

Mr. Baier stated that Legislature is now in the process of passing a Bill to allow Town's to opt out of Smart Growth as well as extend the adoption of Comprehensive Plans for two years.

Brian Desmond, Oneida County Corporation Counsel stated that the purpose of this meeting is to put together the County Plan and make sure the County has all the nine elements that are required under the law. Mr. Desmond stated that it was not for this Committee to review whether Towns have complied with the law. The Comprehensive Planning Oversight Committee does not have the authority to amend Town Plans. The Comprehensive Planning Oversight Committee does not have the authority to make the Town's do anything.

Mr. Baier stated that Town's can change their Plan at any time.

There was discussion about Plans being legal or not if the nine elements are not met or if there is not a Resolution from the Town to adopt the Comprehensive/Coordination Plan.

Mr. Lawrence stated that there is no entity or formal agency that reviews Town Coordination/Comprehensive Plans. Most Plans are voted on by the Town residents.

Carol Casadonte, Town of Little Rice, spoke about the changes the Town of Little Rice would like to see in the Comprehensive Plan.

Dave Schatzley, Lynne Town Chair, stated that he agreed with Ms. Casadonte's suggestions and added that he would like to see the County use the Town's Maps and zoning designations in the County Comprehensive Plan.

Dick Dvorak, Town of Schoepke, spoke about the changes the Town of Schoepke would like to see in the County Comprehensive Plan. He feels that the language needs to be "softened up" throughout the County Comprehensive Plan. Suggests the addition of the following phrase to every chapter: Ensure that any plan created by any other level of government or their agencies shall be consistent with the local unit of government closest to the economic or environmental impact.

Mr. Verhulst informed the Committee that the Town of Enterprise has concerns regarding the Forestry section of the Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Rudolph stated that he felt this process needs to be concluded. The Committee has worked on this for two years. All of the Town's have had a chance to review the draft Plan and changes can be made if changes are needed.

Dennis Lawrence from North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission stated that the Comprehensive Plan, by Statute, is an advisory document that provides general direction for county planning.

Harland Lee suggested the Committee take the time to consider the suggestions made by the Towns today. He stated that the Committee may want to consider a sub-committee to look at these suggestions and come back to the full Committee to make final decisions.

Approve Plan changes.

Mr. Sidlowski stated that he feels the suggestions made today should be looked at in an expeditious way as to not hold up the adoption of the County Comprehensive Plan for very long.

Mr. Young stated that he agrees with Mr. Sidlowski. He feels that the approval for the Comprehensive Plan should go before the County Board with the current members rather than wait too long and there may be new members.

Mr. Hoffman stated that it is too late to make the October County Board meeting and the November County Board meeting is a long meeting with budget business already. It would probably not go before the County Board until January as there is no meeting in December.

Mr. Sidlowski asked if Chairman Baier would entertain the idea of asking for a special County Board meeting so it wouldn't have to wait until January as this is an important issue.

Mr. Lee suggested that Chairman Baier select a sub-committee to review today's suggestions and bring it back to the full Committee. Mr. Jennrich asked that Chairman Baier set a date for the Town's to get any further suggestions to the sub-committee for review.

Harland Lee made a motion that the Chairman appoint a sub-committee to review the suggestions that came before the Comprehensive Planning Oversight Committee today, second by Don Sidlowski. All members voting, aye, motion carried. The subcommittee will consist of Harland Lee, Don Sidlowski and Gary Baier with Harland Lee being the Sub-committee Chair. North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission, Karl Jennrich and Brian Desmond will also be a part of the sub-committee.

Forward Comprehensive Plan to Oneida County Board of Supervisors for approval.

Tabled

Future agenda items.

Approve language changes to the County Comprehensive Plan and forward to the Oneida County Board of Supervisors for adoption no later than January, 2012.

Additional suggestions from the Town are asked to be submitted by October 20, 2011.

Approve future meeting dates:

The sub-committee will meet on October 25, 2011 at 9:00 a.m.

The full Committee will meet on October 31, 2011 at 9:30 a.m.

Public Comments:

Dave Schatzley, Town of Lynne, stated that he is offended to have what the Town's brought to the Committee today considered "word-smithing". They were here today to work with the Committee.

Adjourn.

11:50 A.M. There being no further matters to lawfully come before the Committee, a motion was made by Don Sidlowski, second by Tom Rudolph to adjourn the meeting. With all members present voting "aye", the motion carried.

Chairman Gary Baier

Karl Jennrich
Planning & Zoning Director