

ONEIDA COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING OVERSITE COMMITTEE
MARCH 22, 2013
COUNTY BOARD ROOM
ONEIDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE
RHINELANDER, WI 54501

Members present: Chairman Gary Baier
Harland Lee
Scott Holewinski
Billy Fried
Mike Timmons

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

Other county staff present: Brian Desmond, Corporation Counsel

Guests present: Carol Casodonte
Steve Margitan
Bob Reimert
Jay Verhulst
Sandy Verhulst
Dave Schatzley
Dennis Schoeneck
Alan VanRaalte
Marcus Nesemann

Call to order.

Chairman Gary Baier called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m., in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law.

Approve the agenda.

Motion by Holewinski second by Timmons to approve the agenda.

Question by Harland Lee regarding the correspondence the Committee received from Don Sidlowski concerning item #5 on the agenda. He asked for an explanation. Mr. Baier stated that item #5 is to allow the Town representatives present to make comments during the discussions.

With 4 members present voting “aye” and 1 member voting “nay” the motion carried.

Approve meeting minutes of October 11, 2012.

Motion by Lee second by Holewinski to approve the October 11, 2012 meeting minutes as presented. With all members present voting “aye”, the motion carried.

Review correspondence from Town of Little Rice, Town of Lynne and Oneida County Corporation Counsel.

Mr. Jennrich stated that he doesn't feel there is any need for discussion unless the Committee would like to. He wanted to provide the Committee with these letters that went to County Board Chairman, Ted Cushing. Jennrich stated that the letters are from October and November of 2012. **No discussion or action was taken.**

Government to Government review of comments from the Towns.

Mr. Jennrich stated that Elements 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 & 7 were sent to the Committee and Mr. Verhulst (with changes) for review.

Ms. Casadonte had a question about Element 1 table 1.7. She stated that she thought Sugar Camp should have been added to that table. It was determined that Sugar Camp was not to be added to that table but to the Agriculture section.

She stated that she is very pleased with Element 2. The Town of Little Rice suggested the Committee look at Element 4 page 18 line 11 for grammar. This is not a complete sentence. There should be a comma after the word service and the word with should not be capitalized. Also, on page 25 line 7 they suggested changing the word pressure to encourage.

Motion by Fried, second by Timmons to make the changes as presented. With all members present voting 'aye', the motion carried.

Steve Margitan suggested that in Element 2 under C. Goals and Objectives and additional Goal should be added such as Encourage Forest Service to achieve their Allowable Sale Quantity (ASQ).

Motion by Fried, second by Holewinski to allow Mr. Margitan to work with Karl to develop language for an additional Goal in reference to the Forest Service and bring it back to the Committee. With all members present voting 'aye', the motion carried.

Mr. Margitan also stated that in Element 2, page 16 line 34 he would like to see 'natural succession' added after 'urban development'.

Motion by Timmons, second by Fried to add 'natural succession' after urban development.

With all members present voting 'aye', the motion carried.

Mr. VanRaalte suggested the following changes to Element 6:

Page 1 line 36, strike the word 'with'. Page 6 line 36, insert the word 'is' after This.

He asked if there could be a payroll reference to support page 6 line 37. (Karl to research)

He also asked if "services" could be defined under #14 of page 7. (Karl to research)

He asked if there is any data to support page 15 lines 17-19. He feels how this is written is an opinion. (Karl to research)

Page 20 line 10 'establishing' needs to be capitalized.

Motion by Fried, second by Holewinski to make the changes suggested by Mr. VanRaalte and direct Karl to research the other concerns. Karl will bring his

findings back to the Committee. With all members present voting 'aye', the motion carried.

Mr. Margitan stated that the Committee may want to consider the lack of consistency in the language in Element 2 page 3 lines 33-45. This language compared to the language available on-line in the Mission Statement of Oneida County Forestry Plan is not consistent.

Motion by Fried, second by Timmons to direct Karl to work to get the language consistent with §28.11 of Wis. Stats. With all members present voting 'aye', the motion carried.

Dave Schatzley stated that in Element 7 page 7 lines 1-3, the information is not true anymore and it should be removed.

Motion by Holewinski, second by Timmons to remove the statement as presented. With all members present voting 'aye', the motion carried.

Jay Verhulst suggested changing Element 9, page 4, line 43, all to each, add the City of Rhinelander and remove the s on plan(s).

Motion by Fried, second by Holewinski to change the words as suggested by Verhulst. With all members present voting 'aye', the motion carried.

Mr. Margitan brought attention to a typo in the "Metropulos Amendment" which will be corrected. He also suggested changing some of the language so it will be more open transparent as follows: ...The County ~~does~~ will not ~~intend to~~ have their Comprehensive Plan automatically supersede the Town ~~Comprehensive Plans~~ nor will the Towns Supersede the County's Comprehensive Plan in the event of a conflict during implementation.

Mr. Schoeneck stated that he has a draft from a previous meeting that states the Town Plans were defined as Comprehensive/Coordination. It was suggested that when the Towns are identified in the County Comprehensive Plan it be written as "Plan" When referring to the County it will remain 'Comprehensive Plan'.

Motion by Timmons, second by Fried to make the changes as presented and change Comprehensive Plan (when referring to the Towns or City) to Plan. Karl will come back to the Committee with language. With all members present voting 'aye', the motion carried.

Review of Element 9 submitted in writing June 29, 2012.

9.4 suggested changes: The Plan may be amended at any time upon the recommendation of the Planning and Development Committee ~~and approval from the County Board~~ following coordination with the township that could be affected and subsequent approval from the County Board. ~~This process must follow the same statutory process described for initial plan adoption.~~

Motion by Harland Lee, second by Scott Holewinski to adopt the change as presented (above).

Mr. Desmond wanted everyone to be clear that the use of Coordination is Webster's Dictionary definition and no other legal connotation. Mr. Verhulst agreed to that unless it is otherwise stated in the Comprehensive Plan.

With all members present voting 'aye', the motion carried.

9.4 line 3: Motion by Fried, second by Lee to delete the following language: The Planning and Zoning Committee, prior to the public hearing and adoption by the County Board, must review proposed amendments. **With all members present voting 'aye', the motion carried.**

Mr. Margitan noticed that the City (of Rhinelander) was omitted in a few places in Element 9. Mr. Fried stated that Karl will review each element and make sure the City is included where the Towns are mentioned.

Mr. Jennrich read an e-mail from Dave Kroll, Town of Newbold, to the Committee. He stated on page 9 of Chapter 9, Section 9.8 line 14 he'd like to see the word "coordination" replaced with "cooperation". He feels this is appropriate to foster cooperation and consistency between Plans. He also thanked the Committee for their efforts in the development of the Plan.

Motion by Timmons, second by Holewinski to add '/ cooperation' after coordination. With all members present voting 'aye', the motion carried.

Public Comments.

Mr. Margitan thanked the Committee for taking a hard, serious look at this and moving forward with some suggestions the Town's had. He felt their participation made things move along more smoothly.

Mr. Schoeneck stated he was apprehensive about coming to today's meeting but was pleasantly surprised with what happened today. He appreciates the dialogue.

Mr. VanRaalte agreed with Mr. Schoeneck.

Mr. Verhulst asked what the next process is. Mr. Jennrich stated that there will be one more Committee meeting to review the changes to all the Elements. There will then be a Public Hearing, notifying all the Townships and County Board Members. He feels staff will suggest the Public Hearing be held in front of the County Board.

Mr. Verhulst stated that he feels this has been a very productive meeting.

Mr. Schatzley stated that he appreciates that everyone was so cooperative today and coordinate this issue. He hopes the Committee found it valuable, too that it didn't have to wait to go to Public Hearing to bring up all the issues. Thank you.

Approve future meeting dates.

April 26, 2013 at 9:30 a.m.

Future agenda items.

Changes to the Comprehensive Plan.

Adjourn.

11:20 a.m. There being no further matters to lawfully come before the Committee, a motion was made by Timmons, second by Holewinski to adjourn the meeting. With all members present voting “aye”, the motion carried.

Chairman Gary Baier

Karl Jennrich, Planning & Zoning Director