

Comprehensive Plan Committee
Genoa Township
Minutes of 01/16/2008 Meeting

Meeting began at 6:30. Attendance was as follows:

Steve Havens
Connie Goodman
George Fleshman
Tom Will
Dan Strohecker
Jo McIntosh

Absent: Jim Greenhalge, Brian Mumford, Sandra Faulkner and Joe Clase - Zoning Inspector

12/13/07 Meeting Minutes – limited comments were received on the draft, corrections were made and the minutes were posted to the Township Website.

1. The draft recommendation for the creation of a Township Financial Oversight Committee was reviewed and discussed. With minor revisions, the draft was approved for submission to the Township Administrator, the Trustees and the Fiscal Officer to as a formal recommendation for action by the Trustees. It was agreed that the incoming Fiscal Officer should make the appointment for that Office.

2. Joe Clase, the Zoning Inspector, was unable to attend but submitted a report. The recommended changes to Chapter 3 have been made and a new draft is ready. Chapters 2, 3, and 4 are essentially complete and the outline for Chapter 5 has been initiated.

Additional discussion is needed at the next meeting about:

a. Condition, maintenance and repair of existing infrastructure – should Chapter 3 include some comments and/or should infrastructure issues be part of Chapter 5 – Implementation Policies.

b. Need to check on mineral rights issues and be sure they are covered in the Zoning Code and decide if further comments are needed in the Comprehensive Plan.

Joe and Sandra have compiled the initial list of modifications to the Zoning Code that will be recommended as a result of the Comprehensive Plan Revisions. As discussed at the previous meeting, Joe recommends that Plan revisions be adopted following the process in ORC 519.12.

3. Sandra Faulkner was unable to attend and the discussion on Chapter 1 was postponed until the February 20 meeting.

4. Miscellaneous Information

- The Committee discussed the changes to the Zoning Code approved by the Trustees at their 12/27/07 meeting. “Big Box” limitations were included. These changes can be viewed on the Township Website.

- The Roads levy will not be voted on at the March 4 primary election, but at the November general election.

5. Next Meeting

The Committee will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, February 20, 2008 at 6:30 pm at the Township Hall. The preliminary agenda is as follows:

- a. Discussion of infrastructure issues and mineral rights concerns
- b. Complete the Review of the full draft of Chapter 1 revisions being prepared by Sandra, Jo, Tom and Joe.
- c. Review of draft Introduction to the Comprehensive Plan being prepared by Sandra.
- d. Discuss proposed content of Chapter 5 – Joe has the lead on this.
- e. Plan March meeting.

Committee members responsible for preparing draft materials are requested to email them whenever possible to the full committee in advance of the meeting – maps and other large files being the exception.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15.