

Comprehensive Plan Committee
Genoa Township
Minutes of 9/05/2007 Meeting

Meeting began at 7:00. Attendance was as follows:

Steve Havens
Connie Goodman
Jo McIntosh
Tom Will
George Fleshman
Brian Mumford
Susan Dorsch - Acting Zoning Inspector
Dan Strohecker - Resident

Absent: Jim Greenhalge and Sandra Faulkner

In the order of the Agenda items:

1. Additional revisions were made to the letter that will transmit the Visioning Final Report to the Trustees. Steve will send a copy of the revisions to the Committee for a last review before it is printed. Delivery date is planned for approximately 9/15.
2. Final revisions were made to the Comprehensive Plan Committee Status Report to be published in the next Township Newsletter. Deadline for submission is 9/7 (The Report has been sent to the Township.)
3. Website Update – Brian and George have completed the initial work with Linda Greco. George was successful in downloading all of the old information to a backup disc for archiving purposes; Susan will give the disc to Vicki Stainer for safekeeping. Some work still needs to be done to get all of the Comprehensive Plan materials in one place on the Website, but most obsolete material has been eliminated. Brian and George have agreed that it is now appropriate for Brian to take charge of the clean-up and future postings. Brian will insure that meeting dates, agendas, minutes and Committee member identifications have been posted.
4. Further discussion of the Town Enhancement was put on hold pending submission of the Visioning Final Report and further work on the draft revisions to the Comprehensive Plan.
5. Paul Wise, Township Administrator, earlier provided a report to the Committee on expenditures made against the \$15,000 budget approved by the Trustees. There is approximately \$4,600 remaining for supplies, printing and promotional materials and \$3,400 unexpended for consultant fees. The consultants have been asked to bring their invoices current. Some of the remaining funds will be used for printing the Visioning Final Report, mailings, etc.
6. The Committee discussed the final draft of the Visioning Final Report as submitted by John Ludlum and Karyl Sabbath and decided to proceed with getting it printed and ready for transmittal to the Trustees and other Township Officials. The Final Report will be posted to the Township Website. Steve will arrange printing and distribution with Paul Wise and set up a presentation to the Trustees at their 9/26 meeting. John Ludlum and/or Karyl Sabbath will be the lead presenter(s).

The map with pins showing the location of residents who participated in Visioning meetings has been found and will be updated for use in further discussions and presentations. John and Karyl have provided list of participants in the meetings and the survey.

7. Comprehensive Plan Revisions – Since the 2004 update (never approved) to the Comprehensive Plan included significant revisions that are still useful, the Committee will continue to use the 2004 version as a beginning point for the current revisions. Susan will provide a copy of the 2004 Draft Plan to the Committee members before the next meeting. Further discussion revolved around how to incorporate some of the issues identified thru the Visioning Process in the draft revisions to the Comprehensive Plan, including the town/community center concept, identification of areas suitable for parks, commercial development, etc., and whether and how to get additional input from Township residents. The number of opinions was in direct relationship to the number of Committee members present – more discussion is needed at the next meeting, which will focus on Chapters 2 and 5 of the Plan.

Chapter 3 of the Plan covers Township demographics and other statistical data which needs to be updated. Most of the data can or has been obtained from the Delaware County Regional Planning Commission. George Fleshman will review the 1999 Plan, the 2004 Draft Plan and some data obtained earlier by Committee members and make a list of data needs for consideration of the entire Committee that should be presented to the DCRPC as soon as possible.

8. Next Meeting – The Committee determined that a larger block of time was needed to make significant progress on Plan revisions. Therefore, the next meeting on 9/19 will start a 6:30 with a 9:30 target for adjournment. Chapters 2 & 5 of the Plan will be the primary focus. Draft agenda will be sent out next week.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15.