

**ELMORE COUNTY
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION**

MINUTES

Wednesday, April 18 2012 at 7:00 pm

Chairperson Osborn called the meeting to order. Members of the Elmore County Planning and Zoning Commission present were Chairperson Patti Osborn, Betty Van Gheluwe, Sue Fish, Jeff Blanksma, Ed Oppedyk, K.C. Duerig and Jim Martin. Also present were Attorney Phil Miller, Director Alan Christy and staff member Beth Bresnahan.

Osborn established a quorum.
Pledge of Allegiance.

NEW BUSINESS

Proposed Revisions to By-Laws

Christy stated that staff sent out a clean copy and red lined copy of the proposed revisions to the by-laws. He stated that the last time had been approved by the Planning and Zoning Commission was approximately 2003. He stated that it's a good time to be current with state code and to make sure there was no conflict with the ordinance. Christy asked Miller if any language needed to be added in the event of a tie. He stated that we could assume that a tie vote would be a denial. Miller stated that if there is not a majority than it does not stand. Christy suggested that the Commission add language specifically regarding a tie vote. Miller stated that he did not think it was really necessary.

Duerig asked if tabling and postponing was the same thing. He stated that Roberts Rules of Order states that tabling means it must be acted on during the same evening.

Miller stated that the general notion of tabling means they are not going to act on it at this time and that procedure is commissioned by majority vote and table it to a date certain. He stated that there would have to be a motion and a recorded vote rather than a consensus.

Osborn stated that the minutes will often reflect that the item was postponed to a date certain.

Commission consensus was to leave it worded as tabling.

Van Gheluwe moved to accept the revision to the By-Laws as presented with one spelling correction.

Martin seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Comprehensive Plan Discussion

Christy stated that there was a memo that was passed out before the meeting. He stated that the purpose of this is to get everyone thinking about the comprehensive plan as it is probably going to have to be an entire re-write of the comprehensive plan. He stated that there will have to be a great deal of coordination with the public from private citizens and basically every other public entity that provides service to the county. He stated that this process could easily take the next 9-12 months.

Osborn stated that in the past the county used consultants to help write the comprehensive plan.

Christy went over the sections of the current comprehensive plan.

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Christy stated that the next step will be to present a detailed report on the current comp plan and determine what items need to be preserved. He stated there were many goals and objectives in the first plan and he believes Elmore County has met those which are very important.

Osborn stated that in the past they went to areas in the County and met with the citizens to get input on the comp plan.

Christy stated that they will do this with the new comp plan as well.

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Minutes from 3-21-2012

Martin moved to approve the minutes with one correction and addition of a sentence.

Oppedyk seconded.

Motion carried unanimously

UPCOMING P&Z SCHEDULE

Christy stated that the regularly scheduled meeting for May 2, 2012 will take place as there are agenda items for that meeting. He stated that there will be a special meeting on May 9, 2012 at the courthouse. He stated that there is a regularly scheduled meeting for May 16, 2012 as there are agenda items for that evening as well.

Christy reminded the Commission that the June meetings have been switched to the 13th and 27th.

MEETING ADJOURNED

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Patti Osborn

5/2/12

Patti Osborn, Chairperson

Date:

Alan Christy

5.2.12

Attest:
Alan Christy, Director

Date: