

Comprehensive Planning & Farmland Preservation Committee
March 24, 2016 at 9:00 am
County Board Room

Present: Pete Russo, Jerry Teague, Charles Ortman, George Mika, Donna Williamson, Gary Mertig, Joe Rose

Others: Jeff Beirl, Lori Schmidt, Tom Wojciechowski, Tom Fratt, Larry Hildebrandt, Cyndi Zach

Pete Russo called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Motion by Donna Williamson to approve the February 26, 2016 meeting minutes as presented. Second by Jerry Teague. Motion carried.

A draft worksheet showing the economic development section of the Comprehensive Plan goal and objectives was handed out for review and discussion. Motion by Donna Williamson to approve the worksheet, second by Joe Rose. Motion carried.

Tom Fratt gave an update on the Farmland Preservation process. Tom stated that they are getting a fairly good return on the surveys that were sent out.

Tom Wojciechowski proceeded with the Comprehensive plan.

1. What would you like to see as changes in the County utilities and community facilities over the next decade? 1- camp for youth development (year round), 2- intergovernmental coop on 100% cell and broadband coverage, 3- hydrogen production plant, 4- childcare increases, 5- septic, wastewater improvement, analyze situation, 6- solar, wind and other renewable energy, 7- nursing home/assisted living, home health care.
2. What could county government do to accomplish these changes? 1- assess POWT's in County, 2- assess elderly care options, 3- assess childcare options, 4- communication links of 1 & 2, 5- assess "camp" opportunities for youth including day camps, 6- feasibility study(s) on energy, 7- inventories (interns), (work study), (inmates and community service).
3. What action steps would move from ideas to results? And who should be responsible? 1- work the action steps throughout the plan, 2- community hubs, 2-way communication (schools).

The next meeting was scheduled for April 28, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Board Room.

Motion by Charles Ortman, second by Donna Williamson to adjourn. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Lori Schmidt
Administrative Assistant