

Comprehensive Planning & Farmland Preservation Committee

August 24, 2016 at 9:00 am

County Board Room

Present: Pete Russo, Jerry Teague, Charles Ortman, George Mika

Others: Tom Fratt, Tom Wojciechowski, Cyndi Zach, Brittany Goudos-Weisbecker, Larry Hildebrandt, Natalie Cotter

Excused: Gary Mertig

Absent: Joe Rose, Donna Williamson

Pete Russo called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Motion by George Mika to approve the July 30, 2015 meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Charles Ortman. Motion carried.

Land Use Goals and Objectives –

Tom W. goes over updated background chapter on land use as well as goals and objectives. Motion by Jerry Teague to approve land use goals and objectives. Seconded by George Mika. Motion carried.

Action Steps –

Tom W. goes over process for ranking top two action steps, and discusses color coding process for objectives. The committee and staff members review the most up-to-date objectives and actions steps (see notes below), and rank their top two action steps.

**Housing:** Decent versus quality housing (consistency in terminology)

**Transportation:** Second action step, intent to just look at County roads? Reword to roads in the county? Speak to Emmer about current process

**Utilities and Community Facilities:** Combine action step 2 & 3 (cell coverage), townships included in responsible party for maintenance of POWTS (both action steps)

**Agriculture:** Maintaining funding of Land and Conservation Department same as fully enable...combine action steps? Also not sure about the word maintaining, change to increase funding to Land and Water and UW-Extension to adequately meet demands of agricultural resources in the county, delete fully enable; also potentially include full-time ag agent in funding step

**Natural Resources:** Change maintain to increase funding, first action step also needs scope of the issues...adequately address the scope of the needs...

**Cultural Resources:**

**Economic Development:**

**Intergovernmental Cooperation:**

**Land Use:**

**Community Involvement:**

**Plan Monitoring and Evaluation:** Not sure about 5 years later

Tom W. to write a news release on comprehensive plan process one week prior to the public hearing, and look to other ways to advertise the public hearing.

Vision – addition about education approved.

Farmland Preservation –

Tom F. presents brief update on farmland preservation plan.

Next meeting data –

Meeting September 1<sup>st</sup> no longer needed. Need to schedule meeting prior to the public hearing; Tom W. to speak with Jeff about possible dates. Wednesday, September 14 brought up as possible date of next meeting.

Motion to adjourn by Pete Russo with a second by Charles Ortman. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 10:20am.

Natalie Cotter

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