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MINUTES
OZAUKEE COUNTY
COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING
CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE -
AGRICULTURAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES (ANR) WORK GROUP
TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 2007 @ 6:00 PM
OZAUKEE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER – AUDITORIUM
(121 W. MAIN STREET, PORT WASHINGTON)

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jill Hapner, Pattie Galle, Roger Noll, Victor Pappas, Angie Tornes, Shawn Graff, Joanne Kline, Dan Kline, Gail Epping Overholt, and Ken Albinger

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Eric Rathke, Cathy Stern, Sue Millin, Dale Buser, Dale Katsma, Angie Curtes, Coreen Ripp Fallat, Mike Grisar, and Pat Marchese

MEMBERS ABSENT

Ronald Stadler, Claire Vanderslice, Sharon Gayan, Tim Kaul, John Pipkorn, Noel Cutright, and William Warwzyn

STAFF PRESENT

Andrew Struck - Ozaukee County - Planning, Resources and Land Management Department
Ben McKay - Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC)
Nancy Anderson - Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC)

HANDOUTS

- Ozaukee County LESA Analysis Summary

CALL TO ORDER AND MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS

Chairperson, Jill Hapner called the meeting to order at 6:12 PM. Each of the ANR Work Group members did self introductions.

ASSURANCE THAT THE MEETING WAS PROPERLY NOTICED / ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Andrew Struck assured that the meeting was properly noticed and posted. **A motion was made by Joanne Kline and seconded by Gail Epping Overholt to accept the agenda as written. All members present voting aye, the motion carried unanimously.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Dan Kline and seconded by Angie Tornes to approve the minutes of Tuesday, February 20, 2007, and Tuesday, March 20, 2007, Agricultural and Natural Resources Work Group meetings as written. All members present voting aye, the motion carried unanimously.

UPDATE ON THE INVENTORY OF AGRICULTURAL, NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES (CHAPTER III)

Andrew Struck reported that staff has incorporated the work group comments from the February 20th meeting into the Chapter III text as outlined under item number 5 of the February 20th meeting minutes; however, staff is still working to complete the revised maps for Chapter III. The Housing, Economic Development and Cultural Resources Element Work Group finalized the Cultural Resources portion of the Agricultural, Natural and Cultural Resources Chapter at their March 13th meeting.

UPDATE, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE LAND EVALUATION AND SITE ASSESSMENT (LESA) TECHNICAL ADVISORY WORK GROUP APPROVED RESULTS OF LESA ANALYSIS FOR THE AGRICULTURAL PORTION OF THE PRELIMINARY INVENTORY AND ELEMENT CHAPTERS OF THE AGRICULTURAL, NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES CHAPTERS (CHAPTER III AND VII) FOR THE MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR OZAUKEE COUNTY: 2035

Andrew Struck reported that the LESA Technical Advisory Work Group reviewed the results of the LESA analysis and approved the LESA analysis as presented, including the criteria, weighting, and scaling used for the analysis, at its March 13, 2007 meeting. Nancy Anderson presented the LESA analysis using a handout entitled: *Ozaukee County LESA Analysis*. During the presentation Andrew Struck noted that major parks in the County were excluded from the analysis because less than 2 percent of their land area was in agricultural use. The Work Group offered the following comments:

- Are all natural areas included in the SA-3A factor included on Map 11, or only those in public protection?
- Was protecting some farmland near population centers considered for niche farming and promoting a food source close to population centers?
- Emphasize in the final report that niche farming near population centers should be supported.
- Can each parcel in the analysis be ranked by the score it received?
- Are the sewer service areas shown on the maps approved sewer service areas?
- Was the problem of roads splitting contiguous agricultural lands considered in the analysis?
- Why have some parcels adjacent to permanently protected lands not received a score of 10 on Map 13 (SA-3C)?
- Think about how the final LESA map will be interpreted by people looking at it without having reviewed the background information. The map should be able to stand on its own with a description of the scale in the legend.
- People should know that even if a parcel ranks low it still has some agricultural value.
- Colors and titles should be chosen carefully so readers are not misled.
- Be careful regarding parcels included in the analysis which do not rank high because of poor SA-3 criteria scores.
- Will the LESA analysis be used by the Towns?
- Did the LESA Work Group feel additional revisions should be made to the approved LESA criteria, weighting, and scaling?
- If the goal is to identify natural features as well as prime agricultural land, should the purpose statement on page 1 of the LESA analysis summary be revised to reflect this?
- Can you revise the text and e-mail it out to the Work Group?

Staff addressed as many of the above comments and questions as possible. Staff also noted that those unanswered questions would be researched and reported on at the next ANR Work Group meeting.

A motion was made by Angie Tornes and seconded by Shawn Graff to approve and recommend the Land Evaluation and Site Assessment (LESA) Technical Work Group approved results of the LESA analysis for the Agricultural portion of Chapters III and VII of the Multi-Jurisdictional Comprehensive Plan For Ozaukee County: 2035 to the Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) with all additions and corrections discussed. All members present voting aye, the motion carried unanimously.

BRAINSTORMING/DISCUSSION ON GOALS, OBJECTIVES, POLICIES, AND PROGRAMS FOR THE AGRICULTURAL, NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES ELEMENT CHAPTER (CHAPTER VII)

Andrew Struck reported that the Work Group will brainstorm on the agricultural resources portion of the Agricultural, Natural, and Cultural Resources Element Chapter tonight. Andrew Struck gave a brief description as to the brainstorming process, the specific questions to be addressed and a note that any comments not taken tonight should be emailed to Andrew Struck following the meeting.

The Work Group brainstormed on the following questions:

1. Why is the loss of agricultural land in Ozaukee County considered a threat?
2. What can Ozaukee County do to ensure the continuation of agribusiness in the County?
3. What policies can Ozaukee County develop to protect and preserve farmland?

Staff wrote all the brainstorming ideas and comments on a large tablet for the discussion. Staff will prepare a summary of all the comments provided (including those emailed before the next meeting) and email that back out to the Work Group members. Additional comments can be provided to staff via email, phone, or mail. Staff will also include these brainstorming notes in the ANR Work Group packet for the next meeting.

DISCUSSION ON THE TIMELINE AND NEXT STEPS

Andrew Struck explained that staff will type up the notes from the brainstorming session and e-mail them to the entire ANR Work Group. Work Group members are encouraged to review these notes and e-mail Paul Roback and/or Andrew Struck their additional comments.

PLANNING NEWS/EDUCATIONAL AND OUTREACH RESOURCES

Please refer to the news articles and educational materials included in the ANR Work Group meeting packet.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

There were no additional public comments (other than those provided during the brainstorming session) and there were no written communications to report.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS AS ALLOWED BY LAW

There was nothing to report.

NEXT MEETING DATE(S)

May 15th at 6:00 PM and June 12th.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Gail Epping Overholt and seconded by Victor Pappas to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting aye, the motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully recorded and submitted by Ben McKay, Nancy Anderson, and Andrew Struck as proofed by Dale Buser, Secretary.