

**JOINT MEETING  
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEES  
McHenry County Government Center – Administration Building  
667 Ware Road – Conference Room A  
Woodstock, IL 60098**

Minutes of Thursday, September 1, 2005

Planning and Development Committee

Ann Gilman, Chairman

Jim Heisler	Ann Kate
Peter Merkel	Marc Munaretto
Virginia Peschke	Barbara Wheeler

Transportation Committee

Dan Shea, Chairman

Ed Dvorak	Don Larson
Anna May Miller	Lyn Orphal
Virginia Peschke	Sandra Fay Salgado

Chairman Gilman called the Joint Planning and Development and Transportation Committee meeting to order at 8:16 a.m.

The following Planning and Development Committee members were present: Ann Gilman, Jim Heisler, Ann Kate, Marc Munaretto, Virginia Peschke, and Pete Merkel. Barbara Wheeler arrived at 8:25 a.m.

The following Transportation Committee members were present: Dan Shea, Ed Dvorak, Don Larson, Lyn Orphal, Virginia Peschke and Sandra Fay Salgado

Also in attendance: Planning and Development Department staff; Division of Transportation staff; members of the Planning Commission; Peter Austin, County Administrator; interested public; and press.

MINUTE APPROVAL

Mr. Munaretto made a motion, seconded by Ms. Kate, to approve the regular session minutes of the Planning and Development Committee meeting of August 18, 2005. The minutes were approved as presented with a unanimous voice vote from the members of the Planning and Development Committee.

PRESENTATION

None.

OLD BUSINESS

*2020 Unified Plan - Discussion:* Chairman Gilman asked the staff from the Division of Transportation if they had comments regarding the "staff" draft of the 2020 Unified Plan or if they had any concerns or recommendations for revisions. Mr. Korpalski, Division of Transportation / Director of Transportation / County Engineer, responded that he had no comments at this time and that the transportation portion and modeling as presented in the plan is adequate. Mr. Munaretto asked if the data presented in Chapter 2 / page 2 regarding population projections of 33% were acceptable since the County's growth is at 42%. Ms. Ehardt noted that the percentage is somewhat conservative, but we are held to the NIPC numbers. Members of the Planning Commission questioned the numbers used and noted that the figures appearing in the "back" portion of the document were given to the Planning Commission from NIPC. It was also expressed that the County needs to decide on population growth and what they want to happen with growth in the future. Chairman Gilman noted that the P & D Committee had asked the Planning and Development Department staff to review the Planning Commission's original plan and to reorganize and simplify the document to make it easier to understand. Staff completed this task and the current draft document reflects those changes. In response to the Committee's request, P & D staff distributed a brief summary of those changes. Planning Commission members raised concern that the staff draft did not reflect public input and they asked to include some tables that were taken out. Chairman Gilman asked how much time the Commission would need to complete their review. The Commission felt they could accomplish this task within the next month. The Commission raised concern with the affect on transportation with the new maps. The Division of Transportation staff expressed their support for the maps as included in the staff document. Committee members were asked if they had any comments. Members expressed their support of the Planning Commission's request to have an additional month to complete this project. Chairman Gilman asked that the Planning Commission provide

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their written comments and recommendations to the committee at least three days prior to the October 20<sup>th</sup> meeting. The P & D staff and the Planning Commission will work together on this task. Mr. Larson felt that comments from the McHenry County Defenders should also be taken into consideration. Chairman Gilman assured all attendees that the County Board is concerned with all issues including farmland preservation and these issues will be taken into consideration.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE ADJOURNMENT

With no further joint committee business to conduct, Ms. Orphal made a motion, seconded by Ms. Peschke, to adjourn the Transportation Committee at 8:50 a.m.. The motion carried with all members of the Transportation Committee voting aye on a voice vote.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (CONTINUED)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Chairman Gilman asked if there was anyone wishing to address the Committee.

Dan Larsen addressed the Committee and urged the members to adopt a 2020 Unified Plan that all could support.

NEW BUSINESS

*ZBA Alternate Interview:* Chairman Gilman stated that interview will be deferred to the September 15<sup>th</sup> meeting.

REPORTS

*Stormwater* – The Committee reviewed the McHenry County Council of Governments appointments to the Stormwater Commission (Tom Kerna, Cary; Aaron Shepley, Crystal Lake; Todd Greenwald, Prairie Grove; Sue Low, McHenry; Brian Sager, Woodstock and Bob Wagner, Union). Consensus was to accept these appointments and forward same to the County Board for final approval.

*NIPC* – Chairman Gilman reported that a recent editorial in the Northwest Herald stated that a boundary agreement was ignored and land was awarded to Gilberts over Hampshire. She stated that at the NIPC meeting staff had recommended non-support for the proposal until both parties had agreed on a boundary agreement. The NIPC rules for voting allows any NIPC member to vote on any issue. There were seven or eight members from Cook County in attendance at this meeting. She noted that she made a motion not to award this expansion until there was a properly executed boundary agreement. This motion was voted down by the Cook County attendees. After which the developer and the Cook County members immediately read a letter of support. She went on to report that although this was not illegal, it appeared to be a clear set-up. Chairman Gilman explained she will write a letter expressing her concerns. Chairman Gilman questioned if the County should continue their NIPC membership. Chairman Gilman noted that the County Board should provide direction regarding this membership.

*MCCD* – A strategic plan is being developed.

*Planning Commission* – As discussed above.

MISCELLANEOUS: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Kate made a motion, seconded by Ms. Peschke, to adjourn the Planning and Development meeting at 9 a.m. The motion carried with a unanimous voice vote.

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**RECOMMENDED FOR BOARD ACTION:**

Appointments to the Stormwater Commission

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