

HENRY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

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MINUTES HENRY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION January 22, 2009

Commission members present:

Rich Myers	Henry County Commissioner
Bob Hastedt	Henry County Commissioner
Charlie Griffith	Henry County Citizen Representative
Jon Lindsay	Henry County Health Department
Ed Nagel	Ridgeville Township Zoning Inspector
John Overmier	Liberty Township Trustee
Leonard Sonnenberg	Henry County Citizen Representative

Staff members present:

Nick Rettig

Guests: None

1. Nick Rettig called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** John Overmier moved to approve the October 2008 minutes. Ed Nagel seconded. Motion carried.
3. **President's Report:** Charlie Griffith thanked the planner for his work this year with both planning and water and sewer issues
4. **Old Business:**
 - A. Wind turbine regulations have been established. Nick will send them out to the townships to see if they want to add them to their zoning regulations.
 - B. OPWC Issue 2 funding results are in. The county should receive about \$2 million in grants.
 - C. The Planning Commission made recommendations to Napoleon Township for a zoning district change for Northwest Metals. Nick will write up the recommendations and forward onto Napoleon Township.
 - D. Meeting time and date was discussed. Nick will cancel meetings when there are no issues and email updates when available.

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5. New Business:

- A. Election of officers were held. Charlie Griffith was nominated for president and voted in unanimously. John Overmier was nominated for vice president and was elected unanimously as well.
- B. Nick attached some charts and graphs from last years minor sub divisions. There were a total of 50 lot splits, 21 rural addresses given out by the Engineer's office, and 24 sewerage permits issued by the Health Department with most growth occurring in Bartlow, Damascus, and Liberty Townships. Numbers were down from the previous year. Nick also gave a breakdown of what was worked on over the year between water/ sewer and planning. See attached handouts.
- C. The Swan Creek Watershed has almost reached its endorsement status. All three categories require over 75% of jurisdictions to endorse. Nick will meet with Washington Township to discuss. He will make the recommendation to either pass to endorse or pass not to endorse so it is on record that something was done.
- D. Nick will send board members the Henry County Planning Commission by- laws.
- E. An impact fee for lot splits was talked about. Nick will check with other counties to see if this can be done and how they do it. This impact fee would go to the township to be used for drainage issues, etc.
- F. Rich Myers brought up lot sizes and the amount of frontage for lot splits. He would like to see something developed for the township to avoid "cookie cutter" lots along a road and use other parts of the property for development. Nick will contact other counties and the local townships to see if this is something that can be achieved.

6. Closing Remarks

- A. Date for Next Meeting: February 19, 2009.

7. Adjourn:

Jon Lindsey motioned to adjourn with Ed Nagel seconding. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nick Rettig