

Venango County Regional Planning Commission

Minutes

Meeting, December 18, 2007

Those present at the public meeting of the Venango County Regional Planning Commission held in room 100 of the Courthouse Annex:

Susan Hileman
Warren Thomas
Marc Rickard
Terry Ray
Mary Ann Caton
Debbra Kapp
Garnet Wood
Ken Garland
Fred Krizinsky
Wally Stearns
Kirk Anna
Sonja Hawkins
Neil McElwee

Absent:

Jeff Langworthy
Dan Kaylor

Guests:

David Jervis
Gary Dovey
Karen Wenner, Oil Region Alliance
George Thompson, County Solicitor

Staff Present:

Judy Downs
Ben Breniman
Debra Frawley
Lynn Lawrence
Willis Thomas

Vice Chairperson Warren Thomas called the monthly board meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

A motion was made by Ken Garland to ratify the motions of the November 10, 2007, meeting seconded by Terry Ray; so moved.

A motion was made by Ken Garland to approve the minutes from the November 10, 2007 meeting, seconded by Garnet Wood; so moved.

At this time it was asked that a change was made to the agenda to move the Plan Review Committee item VI(c) to V(a) and was accepted by the Board.

SPECIAL PURPOSE MATTERS:

Plan Review Committee – Sam Dotan presented his land development for preliminary plan approval. The conditions of preliminary approval can be found in the official records located in the office library. A motion was made for preliminary approval of the plan by Terry Ray, seconded by Fred Krizinsky; so moved, Ken Garland abstained.

Southern Comprehensive Plan – a discussion was held of the Southern Comprehensive Plan action items that pertain to the Venango County Regional Planning Commission. It was decided that a letter is to be drafted to encourage the municipalities to attend and participate in the steering committee meetings to implement the plan.

OFFICER'S AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Executive Committee – a list of the 2008 VCRPC Board Meetings was distributed to the Board. It was announced that \$25,000 has been awarded for the Historic Site Survey.

Treasurer's Report – There were no items in discussion at this time.

Plan Review Committee – There were no items in discussion at this time.

Affordable Housing Board – Ben Breniman announced that DCED approved \$36,700 for a Housing Needs Study.

Comprehensive Plan Discussion – after discussion on the comprehensive goals, it was decided that one section will be reviewed by the board during each meeting starting in January.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & STAFF REPORTS:

The reports were presented as written and submitted in the agenda packet. A copy is included in the official records located in the office library.

NEW BUSINESS - INFORMATIONAL DISCUSSION:

Items in discussion: South Sandy Watershed is fixing up strip areas on Hell's Kitchen Road.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no public comments made at this time.

A motion to adjourn was made by Ken Garland at 8:40 p.m. seconded by Wally Stearns; so moved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lynn Lawrence
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