

December 2, 2008

The Scandia Planning Commission held their regular monthly meeting on the above date. The following were in attendance: Chairman Chris Ness, Commissioners Tom Krinke, Christine Maefsky, Susan Rodsjo and Peter Schwarz. Chairman Ness called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA, MINUTES

Commissioner Krinke, seconded by Commissioner Schwarz, moved to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Krinke, seconded by Commissioner Rodsjo, moved to approve the November 5, 2008 regular meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Schwarz, seconded by Commissioner Krinke, moved to approve the November 18, 2008 special meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Schwarz, seconded by Commissioner Maefsky, moved to approve the November 25, 2008 special meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

City Attorney Hebert recognized the recent passing away of Scandia resident Franz Westermeier, age 90. Mr. Westermeier, a long-time member of the New Scandia Township Planning Commission, was a major author of the early Comprehensive Plan and a proponent of rural character within the community.

2008-2030 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN (RESOLUTION 12-02-08-01)

Administrator Hurlburt gave an overview of the process that has lead to review of the final draft of the 2008-2030 Comprehensive Plan. The statutory deadline for submitting the plan to the Metropolitan Council is December 31, 2008. Following a special meeting of the Planning Commission on November 25, 2008, the City's consultant provided a detailed list of changes made to the draft plan. These changes were documented in a list dated December 1, 2008.

Commissioner Krinke noted that the changes accurately reflect the discussion of the November 25th meeting.

Chairman Ness commented that a major change was to the bonus density allowed in the Agricultural Core and General Rural districts. A bonus density of 75% of the base density will be allowed in both districts. This was revised from the 100% bonus density allowed for conservation subdivisions in the Ag Core and the 50% bonus allowed for in the General Rural district that were written into the draft plan.

Commissioner Maefsky, seconded by Commissioner Rodsjo, moved to recommend to the City Council to adopt Resolution 12-02-08-01, Approving the 2008-2030 Comprehensive Plan to the Metropolitan Council, with incorporation of the changes on the list dated December 1, 2008. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Seefeldt acknowledged the Planning Commission for the many hours of work that culminated in a thorough final comprehensive plan.

Moose Malmquist, Comprehensive Plan Committee member, thanked the Planning Commission members for their commitment to the project.

Commissioner Rodsjo, seconded by Commissioner Krinke, moved to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Eklund
Deputy Clerk