

NORTHERN KENTUCKY AREA PLANNING COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 9, 2003

Vice Chairman Paul Hahn called the meeting of the Northern Kentucky Area Planning Commission to order at 5:45 pm in the first floor conference room of the Commission's offices in Fort Mitchell, Kentucky. Attendance of the members was as follows.

Term Present Absent

Chairman Afton Kordenbrock May 2002 through May 2004 X

Vice Chairman Paul Hahn May 2001 through May 2003 X

Treasurer Bill Goetz May 2002 through May 2004 X

Commissioner Billy Bradford May 2001 through May 2003 X

Commissioner Tom Kriege May 2002 through May 2004 X

Commissioner Tom Litzler May 2002 through May 2004 X

Commissioner Lou Noll May 2001 through May 2003 X

Also present were Dennis Andrew Gordon, FAICP, Executive Director; Marshall D. Slagle, FAICP, Technical Services Coordinator; Garry Edmondson, Legal Counsel; Michael Schwartz, AICP, Deputy Director of Planning Services; and Gail H. Deatherage, Administrative Assistant. .

Commissioner Noll gave the invocation and Vice Chairman Hahn led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Vice Chair Hahn asked if the agenda was acceptable or if anyone had any additions/corrections. Commissioner Litzler made a motion to accept the agenda as presented; Commissioner Bradford seconded the motion. Vice Chair Hahn asked for a voice vote on the motion, which found unanimous approval. The motion passed.

Vice Chair Hahn gave some update on the condition of Mr. Kordenbrock, who has been recuperating from surgery, and noted that he was doing better and the family is hopeful that he will be going home soon.

OLD AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Some discussion ensued with regard to having copies of the minutes and agenda available for meetings, due to the fact that some members forget to bring their copies with them.

Mr. Gordon responded that staff would have copies of the Minutes and Agenda available at future meetings.

Mr. Gordon noted that his work is continuing on the budget and that the FY04 Work Program and Budget will be ready for planning commission review by the week of April 14 and then will be ready for review with the Area Planning Council Budget Review Committee by the end of April as required by law.

Vice Chair Hahn asked counsel about the status of his report on the water problem in the basement of our building and Mr. Edmondson noted he would have a recommendation on how to proceed on this problem at the next meeting.

Mr. Gordon noted that repair of the foundation has been completed and that restoration of the affected offices can now begin. He followed that with further background.

NEW BUSINESS

Vice Chair Hahn asked if there was any new business; there was none.

DISCUSSION

Mr. Gordon noted that there were several issues that had come out of the planning commission's retreat in January; one of those issues was the staff's relationship with the Kenton County Planning Commission. He noted one of the issues was the overriding of staff's recommendations by cities/county, the misconceptions/perception by the public, etc. Mr. Edmondson gave some clarification on how/why the staff "recommends" and what these recommended positions actually mean. Mr. Slagle and Mr. Schwartz further clarified the difference between KRS 100 statutes and KRS 147 statutes, noting the history of how the KCPC had progressed, that NKAPC is under KRS 147, and that the KCPC is governed by KRS 100. He differentiated how the two planning commissions conduct their actions and recommendations. Some further general discussion ensued. No action was taken.

Mr. Gordon asked for comments from members regarding the vision/mission statement. Mr. Noll noted he felt that the vision/mission statement was generally good, but felt the last paragraph needed to be changed. Some brief discussion ensued and Vice Chair Hahn asked members to submit any suggestions for changes to Mr. Gordon by the next meeting. Mr. Kriege asked if the Council would have any input, and Mr. Gordon noted that he felt the Council could have input if they wanted, but that he would like to have the vision/mission statement in order to incorporate it with the budget package presented to the Council.

Mr. Litzler noted his only concern was in the line, "This vision includes every aspect of this community..." and questioned whether we want to "influence" everything. He feels we need to be a little more specific in this regard. Mr. Gordon noted he would address this issue.

Vice Chair Hahn asked if there were any other comments or business to come before the Commission. There being none, he adjourned the meeting with unanimous consent at 6:30 pm.