

PLANNING, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Monday, May 3, 2010

Administrative Center – Room 3220

3:30 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Marilyn Pedretti, Don Bina, Bob Keil, Beverly Mach, Dennis Manthei, Steven Miller, Tina Wehrs

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Don Meyer

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF & GUESTS: Jeff Bluske, Bryan Meyer, Gregg Stangl, Mary Meehan-Strub, Margaret Norden, Charles Handy, Steve O'Malley, Nate Sampson, Dave Hammers, Dick Berg

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Vice-Chair Marilyn Pedretti called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

AMEND FEBRUARY 2, 2010, MINUTES TO SHOW ZONING PETITION NO. 1832 SHOULD BE NO. 1835

Jeff Bluske reported that Zoning Petition No. 1832 appeared in the November 30, 2009, and February 1, 2010, Public Hearing minutes, and should have been referenced as Zoning Petition No. 1835. **MOTION** by Manthei/Keil to approve Amending the February 2, 2010, Minutes to show Zoning Petition No. 1832 should be No. 1835. **Motion carried unanimously.** Meyer excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MARCH 29, 2010

MOTION by Bina/Manthei to approve the Minutes from the March 29, 2010, meeting. **Motion carried unanimously.** Meyer excused.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jeff Bluske introduced Nathan Sampson who is replacing Mike Weibel in the Zoning, Planning & Land Information Department.

CONFERENCE REPORTS

Marilyn Pedretti reported she was in Washington, DC, for the University Extension conference, and was able to talk to Sen. Feingold and Rep. Kind about funding.

WISCONSIN ASSOCIATED COUNTY EXTENSION COMMITTEES, INC. STATE CONFERENCE, JUNE 21-23

Mary Meehan-Strub provided the conference schedule and other information on the WACEC state conference in Milwaukee, June 21-23, 2010. Registration deadline is May 18, 2010. There will be bus transportation to Milwaukee.

FINAL PLAT OF COTTONWOOD ESTATES SOUTH – TOWN OF HOLLAND

Bryan Meyer provided copies of the plat of Cottonwood Estates South. The development will be done in phases. He reported that an easement still needs to be shown, and Dick Berg will address. Meyer recommended approval. **MOTION** by Manthei/Bina to approve the final plat of Cottonwood Estates South – Town of Holland. **Motion carried unanimously.** Meyer excused.

ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT, REQUEST SPECIAL JOINT MEETING DATE BETWEEN PR&D AND TOWNS

Charlie Handy suggested a joint meeting with Town Boards to present the Zoning Ordinance Amendment and to receive input. There will be no action taken at the meeting, and attendance would not be mandatory. Committee consensus was to schedule a meeting on May 26, 2010, at the West Salem Library, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

APPROVE 2010 SOIL AND WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT GRANT

Gregg Stangl reported that the Land Conservation Department will receive state grants for 2010 as follows:

2010 Staffing Grant	\$156,386.00
Conservation Grants	<u>\$120,758.96</u> (includes a \$44,958.96 extension from 2009)
TOTAL	\$277,144.96

The monies are to partially reimburse staff time to implement state mandated programs, to provide cost-share assistance to landowners under the Targeted Runoff Management Program,

and to implement the County's Land and Water Resource Management Plan. **MOTION** by Bina/Mach to approve the 2010 Soil and Water Resource Management Grant. **Motion carried unanimously.** Meyer excused.

REVIEW AND DISCUSS DAM ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR COON CREEK STRUCTURE #33

Gregg Stangl reported that a dam assessment of Coon Creek Flood Control Structure #33, which was built in 1960, shows that the dam no longer meets standards and specifications for flood protection structures. Similar dam structures in Vernon County failed in the 2007 and 2008 storm/flood events. There are nine buildings that could be affected if structure #33 failed in a 100-year flood event. The assessment report presented five alternatives, ranging from \$2.8 million to remove the dam to \$10 million for full restoration, which would be funded by state and federal grant programs. Stangl requested committee direction for choosing an alternative. Lengthy discussion was held regarding inspection of the structure, potential liability concerns, and the capital budget. Corporation Counsel will be reviewing liability. Committee consensus was to view the structure in person as part of its regular tour prior to the June 1, 2010, meeting.

REVIEW STATE AGRICULTURAL PERFORMANCE STANDARDS PROPOSED REVISIONS NR 151, NR 153 AND NR 155

Gregg Stangl showed a Power Point review of revisions to state agricultural performance standards on the following: NR 151 (runoff management), NR 153 (urban nonpoint source and storm water grant program), and NR 153 (targeted runoff management grant program). The change with NR 151 is a phosphorus index (PI) that will show not only the phosphorus amount but also where fields are located. It will prohibit manure and commercial fertilizer applications on high PI fields. The change with NR 153 is that the monies will be split out into categories to create a more competitive pool. NR 155 is for local government, and addresses storm water practices. Stangl reported that the City of La Crosse will have challenges in meeting the performance standards since their infrastructure is in place and there is no space for further stormwater practices.

DIRECTION ON LEGISLATIVE POLICY ISSUES, RESOLUTIONS FOR WCA ANNUAL CONFERENCE DUE JUNE 28, 2010

Steve O'Malley requested items to refer to the WCA Platform Committee for the next Legislative session. Jeff Bluske spoke about property assessment reform: The Department of Revenue has taken a stance of addressing professionalism standards, and is looking at international assessing standards, rather than advocating county-wide assessing. He recommended reviewing the most recent "Wisconsin Way" report for more items proposed for tax savings.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None requested.

RECESS

MOTION by Manthei/Keil to recess until the public hearing. **Motion carried unanimously.** Meyer excused. The meeting recessed at 4:57 p.m.

Approved, June 1, 2010, Margaret Norden, Recorder