

PORTAGE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE

CONFERENCE ROOM 5, COUNTY ANNEX
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2023 - 2:00 P.M.

MEETING MINUTES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

MUNICIPALITY	MEMBERS NAME	Attendance	MUNICIPALITY	MEMBERS NAME	Attendance
TOWNS:			TOWNS:		
Alban	Ray Oksuita	Present	Plover	Jim Garbe	Absent
Almond	Michael Copas	Present	Sharon	Bill Gibbs	Absent
Amherst	Brenna Olson	-----	Stockton	Mike Bronk	Absent
Amherst Alt	Gary Rzentkowski	Present	VILLAGES:		
Belmont	Vacant		Almond	Brian Roehrborn	Absent
Buena Vista	Paul Cieslewicz	Absent	Amherst	Dave Crubaugh	Present
Carson	John Jazdzewski	Present	Amherst Junction	Karen Shulfer	Absent
Dewey	Rhonda Hollfelder	Absent	Junction City	Alex Peden	Absent
Dewey Alt	Kathy Girolamo	Excused	Nelsonville	Walter Leppen	Present
Eau Pleine	Roger Skrzeczkoski Sr	Absent	Park Ridge	Vacant	
Eau Pleine Alt	Andrew Stashek	-----	Plover	Dominique Swangstu	Excused
Grant	Kathleen Lee	-----	Plover Alt	Adam Dekleyn	Absent
Grant Alt	Sharon Schwab	Present	Rosholt	Bob Kurszewski	Absent
Hull	Dave Wilz	Present	Whiting	Dean Curtis	Present
Lanark	Bill McKee	Present	CITY:		
Linwood	Jason Glisczynski	Present	Stevens Point	Mike Wiza	Absent
New Hope	Ray Reser	Excused	Stevens Point Alt	Ryan Kernosky	Absent
Pine Grove	Jeanette Wilson	Present			

STAFF PRESENT: Amy Heins, and Kristen Johnson, Planning and Zoning Department.

OTHERS PRESENT: Christian Boulanger and Sam Wessel – North Central Wis. Regional Planning Commission, John Pavelski – County Executive, Larry Raikowski – District 18 Supervisor, Pat Keller – District 14 Supervisor

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Glisczynski.

2. PUBLIC NOTICE: *Members of the public who wish to address the Committee on specific agenda items must register their requests at this time with such comments subject to the reasonable control of the Committee Chair as set forth in Robert's Rules of Order.*

3. REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM AUGUST 10, 2023

A motion was made by Jazdzewski, seconded by McKee, to approve. Motion to approve carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

4. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION RE: CHAPTER 6: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Page 112, Table 28 Major Employers
 - Corrections – Paragon is now Wysocki Family of Companies, Worzalla is now Worzalla-Sheridan
 - Add – Martin Machining, UW Stevens Point, Lineage Logistics, Point Precision, Marshfield Hospital, AIG, Steel King, Ki Mobility, Jay-Mar, Team Schierl, Gamber Johnson, Monogram Foods
 - Research Okray Family Farms and Mid-State Technical College
 - Add language/disclaimer for different data sets
- Page 107, Previous Plans and Studies
 - Add Portage County Broadband Plan
- Page 122, State – Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC)
 - Add Broadband Equity, Access, and Development Program

Copas moved to approve chapter 6 as discussed, seconded by McKee. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

5. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION RE: CHAPTER 7: LAND USE

- Page 127/128, Previous Plans and Studies
 - Mill Creek Nonpoint Source Watershed Implementation Plan
 - Greater Prairie-Chicken Management Plan
 - Portage County All-Hazards Mitigation Plan was updated in 2019
- Page 129, Table 33: Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Status by Municipality
 - Leave "Plan Status" as either complete or overdue
- Page 129/130, Environmentally Sensitive Areas
 - Add Grasslands
 - Rephrase to read as follows:
 - ❖ "Significant portions of Portage County are underlain by permeable sandy soils, highly susceptible to contamination sources. Surface inputs and failing septic systems..."
- Page 130, Flooding and Drainage
 - "Linwood" is misspelled
- Page 141, Land Use Tools
 - Add Portage County Wellhead Protection Ordinance

Jazdzewski moved to approve chapter 7 as discussed, seconded by Oksuita. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

6. DISCUSSION RE: SURVEY OF PORTAGE COUNTY RESIDENTS

Results shared via presentation (presentation on file).

- For future reference, there needs to be clarification on "farms". i.e. large corporate farms as there appears to have been some confusion
- Suggestion: Compare groundwater quality and quantity data from the survey to facts

7. NEXT MEETING DATE:

The next meeting date is tentatively set for Thursday, November 9, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. in Conference Room 5, County Annex.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

Oksuita moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Skrzeczkoski. Meeting adjourned at 3:37 p.m.