

The Environment and Land Use Committee met in Room 118 of the Administration Center.

Present: Supervisors Dohrwardt, Hazelwood, Stumpf, Kaul, Niehaus and FSA Representative Dobberfuhl. Staff: County Administrator Meaux, PRLM Director Holschbach, Planning & Parks Director Struck and County Clerk Winkelhorst.

Others Present: Barbara Ann Schiessle, Craig Rusch-Wagner Excavating, Scott Thiel-Scott Thiel Builders and Betsy Gillen-USDA District Conservationist.

Call to Order/Proper Notice/Adoption of Agenda: Meeting called to order by Chairperson Dohrwardt at 8:30AM. Assurance that the meeting was properly noticed, so noted by Ms. Winkelhorst. Motion made by Supervisor Niehaus, seconded by Supervisor Hazelwood to adopt the agenda as presented. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (6-0)

Public Comments/Correspondence and Communications: Supervisor Kaul commented that along the railroad line south of Port Washington, cables and polls from phone lines are lying abandoned. Supervisor Kaul is concerned about the wildlife that has gotten caught in those cables and he is not sure who to contact regarding this. This railroad line belongs to the Canadian National Railroad. Discussion on environmental aspects and the railroad lines. Mr. Meaux stated that the railroad lines are regulated through the state. Mr. Meaux offered to draft a letter.

Supervisor Kaul attended a district Farm Bureau meeting last night and there was a discussion on the fairgrounds. The Farm Bureau was not aware that there was a study going to be done on the fairgrounds. The Bureau was very frustrated that it was to remain in Cedarburg. Discussion on the groups involved at the fairgrounds and the people that attended meetings including the local Farm Bureau. Mr. Meaux and Supervisor Hazelwood will look into presenting the conceptual plans for the fairgrounds at a Farm Bureau meeting.

Approve Minutes from the August 6 & 8 Meetings: Motion made by Supervisor Stumpf, seconded by Supervisor Niehaus to approve the August 6 & 8 minutes as written. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (6-0).

Planning, Resources & Land Management:

Action Items:

Public Hearing & Action – Request by Susan Pinsky Hultquist Revocable Trust, Owner and Craig Rusch, Wagner Excavating and Scott Thiel, Scott Thiel Builders as Agents, to Petition the Committee for a Zoning Classification Change from a Floodplain District to Non Floodplain District within the Lake Michigan Shoreline. Affecting the Following Described Real Estate: Town of Belgium, T12N-R23E in Part of the NE & NW ¼ of NW ¼ of Section 6, Tax Parcel #02-006-05-010.00 and 02-006-05-015.01 Site Address: 120 Hidden Bluff Road, Cedar Grove, WI: Chairperson Dohrwardt opened the public hearing at 8:41AM. Mr. Holschbach reviewed the staff report on the property. The Board of Adjustment issued a Conditional Use Permit to authorize placement and grading of fill within the Lake Michigan floodplain. This has been completed. As a condition of approval, prior to any construction on the property, the filled floodplain area shall be rezoned to non-floodplain. Any change to a floodplain boundary on a Shoreland and Floodplain Zoning Map requires authorization from the County Board.

Ms. Schiessle, nearby resident of the property, questioned with the properties being moved out of the floodplain as they are being built, how would that affect her property. Mr. Hol-

schbach explained that if there are proposals for building in the floodplain they must meet floodplain development standards and offered to come out and take a look at her property.

Chairperson Dohrwardt closed the Public Hearing at 8:48AM

Approve Ordinance to Amend Zoning District Map No. 1 Town of Belgium: Motion made by Supervisor Hazelwood, seconded by FSA Representative Dobberfuhl to authorize the request for a zoning classification change from a Floodplain District to Non Floodplain District within the Lake Michigan Shoreline. Affecting the site property in the Town of Belgium at 120 Hidden Bluff Road, Cedar Grove and to approve the amending of Zoning District Map No. 1 to reflect the change. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (6-0)

Soil & Water Resource Management Grant Cost-Share Agreement: Mr. Holschbach reviewed the cost share contract for Peter Weiss. This is for two grass waterways. The estimated cost is \$3,571.43 with the cost share amount of \$2,500.

Motion made by Supervisor Stumpf, seconded by Supervisor Niehaus to approve the cost share contract amount of \$2,500 for Peter Weiss. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (6-0)

Draft Construction Site Erosion Control and Stormwater Management Ordinance: Included in the packet was a letter from Corporation Counsel to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR). Mr. Holschbach stated that there has not been a reply from the WDNR so there is no action required today. It will be put on next month's agenda.

Discussion Items:

PRLM – Working Lands Initiative, WCA Educational Seminar, September 29, 2008: Informational item included in the packet. If any supervisor is interested in attending they should contact Mr. Holschbach. Supervisor Kaul may attend.

Planning & Parks – Review Oversight of the Planning & Parks Department by Public Works Committee: Supervisor Stumpf explained that he requested this item to be on the agenda as he was under the impression that the Environment and Land Use (ELU) Committee has oversight of the Parks Department regarding policy issues and would like the committee to comment. Supervisor Stumpf attended the recent Public Works Committee (PW) meeting and felt that there were three issues on their agenda that should be policy issues and should come to ELU. Those being the hunting policy at Lions Den Gorge Nature Preserve, designation of the Administration Center hill landscape area as a park and the possible dog park at Mee-Kwon Golf Course. Supervisor Stumpf stated that these items were clearly land use items.

Mr. Meaux explained that in the Policy and Procedure Manual (P & P) the intent was for ELU to review and recommend the acquisition of lands for the creation of County Parks, natural areas and other recreational public use. Supervisor Stumpf suggesting a change to the P & P for oversight of the Parks to be with ELU. Discussion on the language in the P & P. Mr. Struck reviewed operational and maintenance procedures for the parks. Further discussion on the two committees working together. Mr. Meaux suggested a joint meeting between ELU and PW to further discuss this issue before proceeding with a policy change. The consensus of the committee is to proceed with a joint meeting.

Planning & Parks – Hunting Policy and Associated Fees for Lion's Den Gorge Nature Preserve: Supervisor Stumpf stated that this is one of the issues he felt should come before the ELU committee. He did not agree with the decision and would like discussion from the

committee. Mr. Struck reviewed the hunting policy to date and the current decision of the PW committee. Discussion on other options of harvesting deer.

9:42AM – Supervisor Niehaus excused.

Management/Financial/Informational Reports:

USDA Conservation Security Program Update, Betsy Gillen, USDA District Conservationist: Mr. Holschbach introduced Ms. Gillen. Her position is a shared position between Ozaukee and Washington County. Ms. Gillen provided a brief overview of the Conservation Security Program (CSP). This is a voluntary conservation program that supports ongoing stewardship of private agricultural lands by providing payments for maintaining and enhancing natural resources. This program rewards farmers who are meeting the highest standards of conservation and environmental management on their operations.

Ms. Gillen provided the CSP summary noting that Ozaukee County had 12 applications and 10 new contracts as a result of the program. 5000 acres are currently under contract. Payment is based on a base payment where the set rate per acre is based on a three tier program and enhancements which Ms. Gillen further explained.

9:56AM UW Extension Director O’Neil joined the meeting.

SE Area Tour Update: Mr. Holschbach reported that he and Supervisor Stumpf attended the Southeast Area Land & Water Conservation Association Summer Tour in Racine County on September 4. Some of the areas they viewed were rain gardens, stream bank protection, detention ponds and other restoration areas. Both felt that it was an exceptional tour.

PRLM Management & Financial Reports: Department and financial information was included in the packet. Supervisor Kaul suggested that Mr. Holschbach provide information on the Wildlife Abatement Program to the Farm Bureau.

Planning & Parks Management and Informational Reports: In response to a question regarding the Hetzel Pit, Mr. Struck explained that the county is working through the process to allow for mining to occur and currently an environmental assessment is being done.

Chairperson Dohrwardt requested to move ahead in the agenda. There were no objections.

University Extension Office:

Action Items: There were no action items.

Discussion Items:

Emerald Ash Borer Educational Programs and Updates: Mr. O’Neil reported on the Community Information Session that was put together to address the Emerald Ash Borer and that his responsibility was to bring all of the state and federal agencies together to speak at the program. This was held in Washington County on August 19 and over 400 people attended. It will be about 2 ½ months before the full impact will be known and there will be no public announcement until that time. Currently the source is not known on how the borer got into the county. Discussion on possible sources and what the quarantine process involves.

Tri-County Agricultural Specialization Meeting, October 24, 2008: The meeting will be held in Sheboygan County from 9-Noon on October 24 at the new UW Extension center. Further information will be presented at the next meeting.

Management/Financial/Informational Reports:

Management and Financial Reports: Mr. O’Neil distributed the department and financial reports. Preliminary interviews were done in Green Bay for the 4-H Educator position and September 16 will be the final interviews. Chairperson Dohrwardt asked for a comparison

on the salaries and Mr. O'Neil stated that Ozaukee County is \$10,000-\$15,000 less than others posted.

10:07AM Register of Deeds Voigt joined the meeting.

4-H Open House will be held at the fairgrounds on Tuesday, September 9 from 6:30-8:30pm. This is the largest recruitment drive for the 4-H.

Further discussion on the Farm Bureau relating to the fairgrounds.

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Register of Deeds/Land Information:

Action Items: There were no action items.

Discussion Items: There were no discussion items.

Management/Financial/Informational Reports:

Management and Financial Reports: Mr. Voigt reported that more documents were recorded in August but that it was not a very good month. Revenues are down about 15%. Land Information continues to work with the Sheriff's department on the Wireless 911 system.

Mr. Voigt stated that his projection for 2009 will be \$60,000 less in revenue. Discussion on the impact of the economic situation.

The consensus of the committee is that Mr. Voigt should provide a quarterly financial update unless there is something of interest that needs to be reported.

Next Meeting Date: Friday, October 3 – 10:00AM (Change in time due to First Friday Series Forum)

Adjournment: Motion made by Supervisor Kaul, seconded by Supervisor Hazelwood to adjourn. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. (5-0).

Meeting adjourned at 10:43AM

*Julianne B. Winkelhorst, County Clerk*