

**MANCHESTER COMMUNITY JOINT PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2009
FREEDOM TOWNSHIP HALL**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of the Manchester Community Joint Planning Commission was called to order by Chair Vaillencourt at 8:03 p.m. with pledge allegiance to the flag.

II. ROLL CALL

Voting Delegates: Pat Vaillencourt, Jeff Wallace, Ron Mann, Deena McIntosh, Jolea Mull Laurie Fromhart, Dale Weidmayer, and Larry Lindeman.

Also present: Melissa Milton-Pung, Andrea Bibby, David Betts, Jesse O'Jack, Peter Deloof, George Daubner, Jennifer Alexa, Cindy Carver, Grant Howard, Jimmy Schiel and Bill Lewis.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Wallace moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mann seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Weidmayer moved to approve the June 10, 2009 meeting minutes. Mann seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.

IV. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Jimmy Schiel said he read the master plan and thought it was sloppy and vague and accused Washtenaw County planners of being Fabian socialists. Schiel objected to Washtenaw County's continued involvement in drafting the master plan.

Bill Lewis asked how the joint master plan will be approved and if the village and townships' individual planning commissions will remain in place if the joint master plan is adopted.

Grant Howard disagreed with the procedure that was used to develop the joint master plan and offered an alternative.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Clean Copies of the "Book"

Vaillencourt distributed clean copies of the master plan that was prepared by the County. Vaillencourt indicated the book contains everything the MCJPC has worked on up to this point with the latest draft revisions.

B. Draft Completion Process/Timeline

The MCJPC reviewed the timeline for completion of the master plan. Adoption of the agreement establishing the MCJPC is targeted for September 2009 including meeting all posting requirements. The MCJPC will then present a completed draft plan to each participating municipality planning commission for review in December 2009. After

reviewing the draft plan each participating municipality planning commission through their MCJPC representative will recommend changes to the MCJPC draft plan in March 2010. Planning commissions will then review modifications to the draft plan and make recommendations to local boards in June 2010. Local boards will review the draft plan and planning commission recommendations and vote on adoption of the MCJPC draft plan in August 2010.

C. 2009 Agendas

The MCJPC discussed the direction of the MCJPC and Washtenaw County's continued involvement. Vaillencourt reported on her meeting with County staff and indicated the County's services may only be available through December 2009 due to budget constraints. The MCJPC also discussed the resolution passed by Bridgewater Township's Planning Commission (as reported at SWWCOG meeting) which recommended to the Bridgewater Township Board of Trustees to withdraw from joint planning if the County continues to serve as facilitators. The MCJPC discussed and debated at length whether to continue utilizing the County's resources. Betts left the meeting. Pung indicated she was leaving the meeting and asked the MCJPC to let her know if they will continue to need the county's assistance.

Mull moved to thank and dismiss the county staff. The motion failed for lack of support. Vaillencourt moved to place on the agenda for the September meeting if and how to use county resources. Mann seconded the motion. Based on further discussion members indicated they would rather try to make a decision tonight so they would have a fruitful meeting in September. **Vaillencourt called for a roll call vote. Weidmayer: yes; Lindeman: yes; Wallace: no; McIntosh: no; Mann: no; Mull: no; Fromhart: no; Vaillencourt: no. Motion failed on a 2 to 6 vote. Wallace moved to schedule a special meeting for August 19, 2009 at 7:00 pm at Manchester Township Hall to make a decision on how to move forward with or without the County. Mann seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

C. Revised MCJPC Agreement

O'Jack reported on the revised MCJPC agreement and indicated a red line version which highlights all the changes is available for review on the website. O'Jack said the revisions were needed to update the agreement to reflect the recent changes in state law and to allow for a ninth member. The MCJPC decided to table adoption until the September meeting to allow members time to review the agreement. O'Jack will distribute copies of the agreement and ordinance to all municipalities. O'Jack advised the MCJPC if the four jurisdictions adopt the agreement they will have to start notice procedures and provisions all over again including time frames.

D. Industrial Chapter

E. Residential Chapter

Review, editing and approval of these chapters were deferred to the September meeting due to the late hour.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Lindeman moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:21 pm. Fromhart seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.