

**MANCHESTER COMMUNITY JOINT PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2009
MANCHESTER VILLAGE HALL**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of the Manchester Community Joint Planning Commission was called to order by Chair Vaillencourt at 7:52 p.m. with pledge allegiance to the flag.

II. ROLL CALL

Voting Delegates: Jolea Mull, Laurie Fromhart, Pat Vaillencourt, Margene Dunmore, Ron Mann, Deena McIntosh, Shirley Haeussler and Larry Lindeman.

Also present: Melissa Milton-Pung, Brett Lenart, David Betts, Andrea Bibby, Peter Deloof, Marty Way, Jeff Wallace, Mark Iwanicki, George Daubner, Ray Berg, Karl Raesnis, Jimmy Schiel, Bill Lewis, Dave Faust, Cindy Carver and Grant Howard.

Vaillencourt introduced Margene Dunmore as the new planning commission representative for the Village of Manchester.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Fromhart moved to approve the agenda. McIntosh seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mann moved to approve the December 10, 2008 meeting minutes. Mull seconded the motion. Motion carried with Dunmore abstaining.

V. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

There were no public comments.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. Approval of revised Natural Features chapter

Milton-Pung informed the MCJPC that comments and concerns raised by Sybil Kolon have been satisfactorily addressed by the group. The MCJPC reviewed the final draft version of the natural features chapter dated December 10, 2008. Fromhart requested parking lot issues be identified and noted in the text of all draft chapters. In addition county planners will continue to keep a separate list of all parking lot items. The MCJPC made final edits to the natural features chapter. On page 85 under item "a. NAPP" the Greiwahn Preserve was stricken from the text since the property has not been rezoned by Bridgewater Township and is not officially a preserve. On page 91 item # 8 was reworded for clarification purposes to read: "Coordinate public and private open space and recreational uses to ensure that the uses are compatible with the requirements for environmentally sensitive areas." **Fromhart moved approval of the draft natural features chapter dated December 10, 2008 with changes discussed tonight. McIntosh seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

B. Approval of revised Community Facilities chapter

The MCJPC reviewed the final draft version of the community facilities chapter dated December 10, 2008 and made final edits to the text and identified parking lot issues. On page 103 in goal 2 the remaining phrase after “open space” was stricken; item # 4 “identical PUD” was stricken and replaced with “mutually acceptable” and in item # 6 “locus” was stricken and replaced with “center”. Under community character item #1 words in parenthesis were stricken and the words “and appropriate” were added at the end of the sentence, and item #5 was identified as a parking lot issue. In addition, “Growth Transition Area” was identified as a parking lot issue. Lenart advised the MCJPC that the GTA still needs to be defined in the text and delineated on the future land use map. **Mann moved approval of the draft community facilities chapter dated December 10, 2008 with changes discussed tonight. McIntosh seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.**

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Review of Agriculture chapter

The MCJPC reviewed the draft agriculture chapter dated December 10, 2008 and edited the text. On page 109 the MCJPC recommended adding a statement that statistics are dated and market conditions could cause fluctuations. On page 110 Mann recommended programs that enhance agricultural activities should be referenced as examples since current programs may not be in existence later. Lindeman recommended striking the word “prime” when referencing agriculture because it is too restrictive, and all agriculture should be considered important to protect and preserve. Lindeman also recommended striking the word “needing” in the first line of the fifth paragraph. On page 113 Lindeman noted Freedom Township currently has 220 acres of disturbed land for extraction with 700 acres permitted for extraction. MCJPC suggested the existing land use inventory may need to be updated. On page 115 Mann requested the year be noted when referencing statistics for farms participating in the PA 116 program. On page 120 under goal 3 item # 2 Lindeman recommended striking the word “limited”. County planners indicated they would present the MCJPC with a newly revised agriculture chapter at next month’s meeting.

B. Review Commercial Chapter

The MCJPC reviewed the draft commercial chapter dated December 10, 2008 and edited the text. On page 122 in the second paragraph in the 6th line “trading and shopping center” was stricken and replaced with “trading center and market place”. Under item #1 “feed store” was stricken. On page 123 item #3 “clustered” was stricken and in item #4 “tiny” and “book store” was stricken from the text. On page 127 under objective 2 “Target” was stricken and replaced with “Encourage the location of” and on page 131 under item #4 “needs” was stricken. County planners indicated they would present the MCJPC with a newly revised commercial chapter at next month’s meeting.

C. Group Exercise on Industrial and Residential

Betts gave a brief summary of the goals and objectives for the industrial and residential chapters. The MCJPC suggested revising the goal for the industrial chapter and suggested defining GTA for all townships under goal 1, and consolidating references to affordable housing under objectives for goal 2 in the residential chapter. The MCJPC agreed to place goal 4 in the implementation section of the MAMP. The MCJPC will review the industrial and residential chapters in detail at their February 11th meeting.

D. Discussion of 9th Joint Planning Commission Member Appointment

Milton-Pung distributed a handout on the MCJPC's options for the appointment of a 9th member. Milton-Pung said discussion is need among the MCJPC as to how they plan to designate a 9th member out of the proposed 4 options. Milton-Pung recommended deferring discussion until the February meeting so the MCJPC can consider who they may want to appoint. Milton-Pung suggested appointing someone who has a expertise in a certain area.

VIII. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

There were no public comments.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Fromhart moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:02 p.m. McIntosh seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Laurie Fromhart