

**MANCHESTER COMMUNITY JOINT PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2009
MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP HALL**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Manchester Community Joint Planning Commission was called to order by Chair Vaillencourt at 7:00 p.m. with pledge allegiance to the flag.

II. ROLL CALL

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

Also present: Andrea Bibby, Jesse O'Jack, Peter Deloof, Cindy Carver, Sybil Kolon and Marty Way.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mull moved to approve the agenda as presented. Fromhart seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.

IV. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

There were no public comments.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Direction of the MCJPC to continue preparation of the MAMP

Jolea Mull distributed to members a proposal from Bridgewater Township to assist the MCJPC's decision making regarding the future direction of the MCJPC. The MCJPC reviewed and discussed the proposal point by point. Mull explained Bridgewater Township remains committed to participation as a member of the MCJPC but believes the MCJPC can accomplish remaining agenda items on their own without Washtenaw County assistance. Bridgewater Township will revisit some sections of the current draft joint master plan and will bring additional comments and revisions for the MCJPC to consider. Bridgewater Township is most concerned with the Natural Features and Transportation sections accurately representing long term land use goals before approval of a final draft document.

Vaillencourt reported she met with Washtenaw County staff and they informed her they would no longer attend MCJPC meetings. The County did offer their services so the MCJPC could continue to utilize their resources. The County indicated if the MCJPC would like to use an intern they could possibly find one to donate their time. The County also indicated they would continue to provide updated maps at no charge as long as their resources remain available.

Weidmayer expressed concern that the County was unfairly criticized at the last meeting and thought the MCJPC should send a formal letter of apology. Vaillencourt said she did apologize to the County on behalf of the MCJPC. Fromhart commented the criticism came from the audience and not the MCJPC. Deloof commented there was also unjustified criticism from the MCJPC and it was inappropriate to mention the resolution passed by

Bridgewater Township's Planning Commission. Mull commented the resolution was reported on at the SWWCOG meeting and is a political decision and not a personal attack against the County.

The MCJPC decided that Vaillencourt will prepare all future agendas. Fromhart will continue to prepare the minutes of each meeting and forward them to Vaillencourt for distribution. Mull will provide her services for editing the draft documents during the meetings with track changes and will forward them on to Vaillencourt for distribution. Mann will ask the County for a hard copy of the latest maps and for a final map in electronic form. Mann will also ask the County for a copy of the distribution list. Ray Berg will continue to receive updates to post on the MCJPC website. Each municipality is to print out 6 copies once they receive their monthly packets via email from Vaillencourt. O'Jack advised the MCJPC that a hard copy of the draft master plan should be kept on file at the offices of each municipality for any Freedom of Information Act requests. O'Jack also advised the MCJPC that no emails should be exchanged in response to the monthly packets due to possible Open Meetings Act violations.

VI. NEXT MONTH'S AGENDA

Vaillencourt indicated she would email members draft agendas for the next four months.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Mann moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 p.m. Lindeman seconded the motion which was adopted unanimously.