

SOUTHWEST WASHTENAW COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
Manchester Village Offices
APPROVED MINUTES of June 8, 2005

1. Meeting called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Chair Pat Vaillencourt
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Representatives present: Gary Blades/Sharon, Jim Fish/Bridgewater, Tania Kersey/Bridgewater, Ron Mann/Manchester Twp, Karl Racenis/Manchester Village, Pat Vaillencourt/Manchester Village, Jeff Wallace/Manchester Village.
Others present: 7 Guests - Barb Ziller-Sharon, Ray Berg-Freedom, Sybil Kohon-Manchester Twp, Ken Reiter-WCRC, Bill Cragmile and Evan Pratt-OHM Engineering, George Daubner-Manchester Twp.
4. Introductions
5. Draft agenda approved. Motion by Karl Racenis, second by Jim Fish, passed.
6. Minutes of May 11, 2005 approved with addition of representatives present and the number of attendees (106). Motion by Karl Racenis, second by Ron Mann, passed.
7. Traffic Committee - Right of Way Map Update - Ken Reiter/Jeff Wallace:
Ken Reiter gave a brief history of the WCRC ROW Allowances and presented the updated draft Right of Way Map. Ken stated that the process of review was productive and efficient because of the regional advantage of SWWCOG despite some disagreements during the review process. Ken explained that developers will be encouraged to adjust to the updated Right of Way Allowances for an improved future road network. He expects presentation of the ROW Map for the SWW area to the Road Commissioners for approval before all Townships have been communicated with for their maps with eventual updates for all Townships throughout the County. Members had discussion among the group and with Ken regarding the updated ROW Map. Ken suggests amending the updated Map in to the local jurisdictions' Master Plans and/or Zoning Ordinance. Developers or property owners dividing their land need to be directed to communicate their plans with the WCRC to ensure that future ROW needs are met. Ken expects to make final comments on the report and Map for WCRC Board approval by the end of July. He expects the WCRC to ultimately provide Townships with ROW manual, and per-Township information. Pat thanked Ken for working with SWWCOG.
8. Public Safety & Justice Needs Update - Pat provided an update as follow up to the May SWWCOG meeting. She explained that Plante & Moran has been hired to review contract rates. A meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, June 14, 7-9 p.m. at 350 South Main Street as the beginning sessions for forums with contracting/non-contracting units. Additional forums are scheduled for the week of June 20. The Sheriff has scheduled a meeting for Thursday, June at 3:00 p.m., location undetermined to discuss PSU model. No decision by the BOC is expected in June at this time. Inquiry and discussion took place regarding a referendum of a decision at which time a decision is made, potentially forcing a jail or police protection millage on the ballot (Jim Fish will contact MTA for legal opinion and provide follow up to the group).

9. Wireless Project Report - Ray Berg presented: Handout distributed and explained. Summary of aggressive timetable provided. Ray is serving on Business Plan Committee - explained scope of objectives over the next 16 weeks. County remains strong that they will not own or operate Wireless Washtenaw. County-wide deployment is targeted for 2006-07. Pilot programs expected to be advertised for bid. SWWCOG interest is known. Vision for Wireless Washtenaw revised to also include "mobile". The Senate and the House have introduced bills to block progression of Wireless Washtenaw. Ray suggests SWWCOG express opposition to these bills (Manchester Village, Bridgewater Twp, and Manchester Twp have passed resolutions in support of Wireless Washtenaw). Wireless Washtenaw Management Team would like to present to SWWCOG. Group recommended presentation before pilot decisions are made to ask questions regarding what a pilot program would involve, and as evidence of our interest in serving as one of the pilot areas - to be scheduled possibly in August.
10. SWWCOG Web Site - Ray Berg presented: Reported that the SWWCOG website is live and active. Ray explained the content of the website. Additional website links are Western Washtenaw Construction Authority and Manchester Chicken Broil. Would like to include additional information including agendas, minutes, studies, synopsis of discussions, etc., when available electronically.
11. Roundtable Discussion:
 - * Manchester Schools-Ron Ellison absent.
 - * Sharon Township-Gary Blades (Board) -Township has re-codified their police ordinances. Gary suggested that electronic mailing or referencing availability on the SWWCOG website for agenda/minutes replace postal mailing. Discussion followed with agreement to the suggestion. Colored paper announcement with the next postal mailing will offer the alternative and request reply.
 - * Freedom Township-Bob Little absent.
 - * Bridgewater Township-Tania Kersey (Board) -Wastewater treatment plant start up coming along, sewer system installation concerns being reviewed. Jim Fish (P.C.) -Planning Commission busy with potential developments including Bridgewater Commons 30 units and Bridgewater Farms 12 units; Roe 8-10 cluster development; Hoover cluster development; Bridgewater Estates 290 units on U.S. 12 presentation expected this month; Looking at Private Road Applications and Private Road Ordinance amendments; Implementation of Wireless Plan amendments to Zoning Ordinance.
 - * Manchester Township-Ron Mann (Board) -Budget discussions currently underway; McComber Farm 52 unit land division; Lamb Road land division; Upcoming projects to discuss with the Village (425 Agreements). Sybil Kohon added-No access provided to Winter preserve yet; Stewardship workshop upcoming. George (P.C.) -Joint meeting scheduled for Thursday, June 16.

* Manchester Village-Pat Vaillencourt - Adopted DDA by-laws, moving forward; Jeff and building committee are working with the library for growth potential; Historic district committee working with the County; Joint meeting with Township P.C. 6/16; Met with Wexford to discuss finishing touches, Shafer Court moving along, Manchester Woods; Scully property potentially sold. Jeff-public hearing on budget upcoming.

** Information: Ron Mann reported -GIS aerial flights done at County. Map Washtenaw will be redesigned in next couple of months. More layers of data planned to be included.

12. Other Business: None

13. Motion to adjourn by Ron Mann, second by Jim Fish, passed. Meeting adjourned 9:08 p.m.

Next meeting: July 12, 2005 at Bridgewater Township Hall, 10990 Clinton Road, 7:00 p.m.
Prepared and submitted by: Tania Kersey, Bridgewater Township