

SOUTHWEST WASHTENAW COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

7:00 pm Wednesday, OCTOBER 11, 2006

BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP HALL

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

1. Call to Order by Vaillencourt at 7:00 PM.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Sign In
Jessica Ping-Mills, Heather Seyfarth, Mark Roby, Ron Ellison, George Daubner, Ron Mann, (Paul Siersman-Manchester Twp & Village Planning Consultant), Amy Riley, Cindy Carver, Don Limpert, Pat Vaillencourt, John Hinkley, Jeff Wallace, Karl Racenis, Bob Little, Larry Lindeman, Bill DeGroot (Bridgewater Planning Consultant), Mike Bisco, Lorrie McCormick, Jesse O'Jack, Bill Lewis.
4. Introductions-
5. Approval of Agenda - Ellison / Mann / Approved by acclamation.
6. Approval of Minutes of September 13, 2006 meeting - Mann / Little / Approved by acclamation.
7. Partnerships for Change – Regional Planning Kickoff Meeting - Heather Seyfarth
 - I. Welcome and Greetings
 - II. Review Project Goals
 - III. Review Project Work Plan
 - IV. Small Group Exercises
 - a. Transitional Zone/Buffer Definition
 - b. Zoning Districts/Future Land Use Definitions
 - V. Next Steps

Requested that next meeting be held at Manchester Community Schools Admin. Building. Ron Ellison will check and notify Chairperson.
8. Washtenaw County Public Safety & Justice Needs Update
Vaillencourt-meetings of collaborative council continuing. Requesting information about Jackson County & Ohio Counties whose per officer charges are substantially less than Washtenaw County contracts.
9. Wireless Project Report – no report.
10. Roundtable Discussion –
Manchester Schools, Ellison-enrollment this year is down 25 students. Fewer migrant farm workers is major reason.

Sharon Township, working on new fee schedule. Obertron manufacturing site plan approval on M-52.

Freedom Township, Larry-extraction ordinance being proofed by attorney, approval to hire OHM Engineering firm,

Bridgewater Township, Carver-Farmland preservation, zoning issue and property selection, T-Mobile final site plan approved, 52% of hired vans leaving Michigan, Oregon and North Carolina are top 2 destinations.

Manchester Township, Mann-first newsletter going to Post Office, 1st since 1994, Planning Commissioners Daubner & Stumpo received their Citizen Planner Certifications, Township is hiring new attorney due to retirement, Road Commission is proposing to require cost-sharing of bridge repair with Townships, which is opposed by MTA and Township CEO's, County appointments are being made. Nov. 1 2-4 & 6-8 WATS Transit Plan public meetings in Chelsea Washington Street Center.

Manchester Village. Vaillencourt, DDA working on applying for Enhancement grants with 2008 M-52 project, Historical Committee gathering data, working on design standards, and informing public, River Raisin Watershed Council Steering Committee participation in cleaning up Mill Pond and river downtown, committee working on commercial rezoning application introduces concept of Highway Commercial Zone

11. Other Business-none

12. Meeting adjourned at 8:52 PM. (Mann motion / Ellison second / Adjourned)

The next regular meeting will be November 8, 2006, Sharon Township Hall

Respectfully Submitted,
Karl Racenis-Secretary