

*Village of Barrington
Plan Commission Meeting
Minutes Summary*

Date: January 25, 2011

Time: 6:00 PM

Location: Community Conference Room
200 South Hough Street
Barrington, Illinois

In Attendance: Todd Sholeen, Commissioner
Dick Ehrle, Commissioner
Dan Hogan, Commissioner
Anna Bush, Chairperson

Staff Members: Jim Wallace, Deputy Village Manager
Peg Blanchard, Director of Economic and Community Development
Brooke Jones, Development Planner
Greg Summers, director of Engineering and Building

Call to Order

Chairperson Bush called the meeting to order at 6:20 PM.

Roll call noted the following: Harry Burroughs, absent; Richard Ehrle, present; Todd Sholeen, present; Mike Ward, absent; Dan Hogan, present; Anna Bush, Chairperson, present.

There being a quorum, the meeting proceeded.

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New Business

Discussion of the update to the 2000 Comprehensive Plan

Ms. Jones provided explained that staff proposes to split the *Environmental Design Control* chapter into two new chapters, *Environmental Sustainability* and *Community Character*. Commission members supported the idea.

Review of draft *Community Design and Character* chapter

Ms. Jones explained two substantive changes that have occurred since the 2000 comprehensive Plan was written: the creation of the historic district zoning, and the addition of zoning-specific design guidelines. She then provided an overview of the draft chapter. Commission members supported the draft, with minor scrivener's changes.

Review of draft *Environmental Sustainability* chapter

Ms. Jones provided an overview of the draft chapter. She noted that the chapter emphasizes the importance of water management.

Mr. Ehrle asked how many sites in the Village are still contaminated. Staff responded that the number of sites is unknown.

Mr. Hogan asked if the Village has an obligation to mitigate such sites. Ms. Jones stated that mitigation is the responsibility of the property owner, and noted that contamination is one of the items addressed in our development review process.

The draft chapter was supported, with minor scrivener's changes.

Review of draft *Transportation* chapter

Ms. Jones noted that staff is in the process of revising the introductory paragraphs of the chapter, and will provide revision to the commission. The commission then reviewed the 14 points listed in the chapter. Some minor scrivener's changes were noted at various places, and the commission had the following specific comments:

3. Should read "... work to *establish and* maintain quiet zones."
5. Delete this item.
6. Insert "and traffic flow" after "safety".
8. Substitute "kept to the posted limit" for "slowed".
13. Substitute "continually updated" for "implemented".

Mass Transit section

The commission recommended that the section should state "Work to establish commuter parking alternatives and enhanced access, such as a parking deck".

Applebee Street section

The commission recommended removing language regarding extending the street to Station Street, and leaving in place language indicating pedestrian-only access.

Composition of the Local Street System section

The introduction should read as follows: "To improve local traffic, we suggest the following:".

Lake Zurich Road section

The first sentence of the draft should be deleted.

Route 14 (Northwest Highway) section

Delete "SRA" references here and throughout the chapter, as the term is no longer in use.

Pedestrian Enhancement section

In the second paragraph, state that the Village should "consider the possibility of" covered pedestrian overpasses in the Village Center.

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Approval of Minutes

January 11, 2011

Commissioner Hogan moved to approve the minutes of the January 11, 2011 meeting as presented; Commissioner Ehrle seconded the motion. Voice vote recorded all ayes. The minutes were approved.

Meeting Schedule

The next meeting will be February 7, at 6:00 pm. This will be a joint meeting with the PZED committee. There will also be a meeting on February 15. Mr. Hogan noted he will not be able to attend the February 15 meeting.

Public Comment

Mr. Ken Steinmetz, with Mr. Dana Shadrick assisting, asked if any development is planned for the Golden Triangle. Ms. Blanchard stated that the current owner of the bulk of the property is not interested in developing at this time. On the Adco property, the Village is in the process of an environmental clean-up and is also in negotiations with a potential tenant.

Mr. Steinmetz asked if the Village still feels that an Applebee underpass of the EJ&E would be too expensive. Ms. Blanchard replied that the Village still believes this to be the case.

Mr. Steinmetz asked if the LZ Road extension takes into account the possible EJ&E underpass. Mr. Summers replied that they fit together, and that we are in the initial stages of planning for such an underpass. The first phase of work is funded by a federal grant, which requires community groups to be established, to provide input into the process. A series of monthly meetings will be held, and the process could take two years.

Mr. Shadrick inquired about the status of the former Champion Dodge property. Ms. Blanchard stated that there have been several development inquiries regarding the site, but the owner is undecided on how he wants to redevelop the property.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Commissioner Ehrle moved to adjourn; Commissioner Hogan seconded the motion. Voice vote recorded all ayes.

Chairperson Bush adjourned the meeting at 7:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Wallace



Anna Bush, Chairperson
Plan Commission

Approval Date: