

MINUTES

APRIL 6, 2016

MASTER PLAN COMMITTEE

LONG HILL TOWNSHIP

CALL TO ORDER AND STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

The Chairman, Dr. Behr, called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. He then read the following statement: Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by posting a copy of the public meetings on the municipal bulletin board, by sending a copy to the Courier News and Echoes-Sentinel and by filing a copy with the Municipal Clerk on January 7, 2016.

PRESENT: Mr. Fast, Mr. Hands, Mr. Mehler, Mr. Sandow, Chairman Behr, Kevin O'Brien (Board Planner), Cyndi Kiefer (Planning & Zoning Coordinator).

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Ecotourism –Louise Noell, 17 Windsor Way, Millington, submitted a four (4) page discussion on Ecotourism to the Planning Board at their March 22, 2016 meeting which was forwarded to the Master Plan Committee (MPC). Her son, Zach Velling, was present to answer any questions. Mr. O'Brien gave two options: a separate Economic Element or split the ecotourism ideas and place them individually in the various existing elements. The committee members decided unanimously to create a new element. Ecotourism would be one part of that element.

RESIDENT SURVEY

- Chairman Behr discussed the changes made to the survey based on the comments at the last meeting including the addition of Section IV, "What few words...". After further discussion, it was decided it was decided to strike the words "not working" after "I am a homemaker" in the demographics section and add "I'm retired" in that same section. By **ROLL CALL VOTE**, survey was unanimously approved.

UPDATE PROGRESS ON REMAINING ELEMENTS

- Historical Element will be ready in mid-May (Mr. Fast)
- Community Facilities Element will be ready mid-May (Mr. Mehler)
- Recreation Element will be ready at the next meeting (Mr. Hands)
- Housing Element/Fair Share Plan will remain as drafts until the court makes its decision (Mr. O'Brien)
- Circulation Element will be ready for the next meeting (Mr. Sandow)
- Utility Element will be ready mid-May (Mr. O'Brien)
- Conservation Element will be ready mid-May (Mr. O'Brien/Mr. Richardson)

ARTICLES

- Mr. Hands volunteered to write an article (500-700 words) later this month

VALLEY MALL

- Chairman Behr advised the MPC that Ed Croman, owner of Valley Mall, had contacted him with a request for input as to what types of commercial entities the community would like to see in the mall. Chairman Behr will contact Mr. Croman for clarification and the MPC will revisit the topic at its next meeting.

FUTURE SEARCH

- Discussions were held concerning potential Steering Committee members, potential dates and planning logistics.

Mr. Hands motioned, Mr. Fast seconded, and by unanimous **VOICE VOTE** the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

Date: _____

Cyndi Kiefer, Planning & Zoning Coordinator