

MINUTES
BAY-LAKE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
WORK PROGRAM COMMITTEE
April 13, 2007
Commission Offices
Green Bay, Wisconsin

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jaime Forest, Ed Kelley, Tom Kussow, Don Markwardt, Flossie Meyer, Mary Meyer, Bruce Osterberg, Lois Trever, and Chuck Wagner

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Rob Strong (for Paul Jadin)

STAFF PRESENT: Richard Heath, Brandon Robinson, and Jim Van Laanen

- I. Committee Chairperson Lois Trever called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
- II. **Moved** by Tom Kussow and seconded by Don Markwardt that the agenda be approved as with one revision, the City of Oconto Comprehensive Plan Resolution 7-2007 will not be approved at this meeting. Motion carried, with all voting aye on a voice vote.
- III. **Moved** by Don Markwardt and seconded by Flossie Meyer that the minutes of the February 9, 2007, meeting be approved as presented. Motion carried, with all voting aye on a voice vote.
- IV. Chairperson Lois Trever asked if there was any public input; none was received.
- V. There were no guest presentations.
- VI. Richard Heath, Assistant Director/Principal Planner, provided a brief overview of the 2007-Comprehensive Planning Grants awarded by the Wisconsin Department of Administration. A map of Wisconsin and a summary of grants for the Bay-Lake Region were provided to the committee members for their reference. The Commission assisted three counties in preparing applications for this planning grant funding cycle- Florence, Marinette, and Manitowoc. Both Marinette and Manitowoc counties received multi-jurisdictional grant awards. The Marinette County grant of \$164,000 includes nine communities. The Manitowoc County grant of \$405,000 covers twenty communities including the City of Manitowoc.

A historical summary of successful comprehensive planning grants in the Bay-Lake Region since 2000 to include the new 2007 awards was prepared for the committee to review. Overall, the region has done well in receiving planning grants. The counties of Door and Sheboygan will be completing their county plans without financial assistance from the state. Florence County has not decided what step to take next. Florence has a land use plan in place that is not smart growth compliant. Several individual communities throughout the region still need to complete plans including Sturgeon Bay and Sheboygan Falls.

- VII. Brandon Robinson, Community Planner, and Jim Van Laanen, Transportation Planner, gave a presentation on the Kewaunee County planning project. Kewaunee County received a multi-jurisdictional grant in 2004 of \$198,000 that involved 12 communities plus the Town of Union in Door County. Omni and Associates completed comprehensive plans for six of

the communities and the Commission is doing the other six community plans as well as the county's plan. To illustrate the planning process, Mr. Robinson and Mr. Van Laanen utilized a PowerPoint presentation. The presentation included several steps of the planning process such as land use and future land use mapping. Chuck Wagner praised the Commission for the good work they did on the Town of Red River plan.

R. Heath gave a quick overview of the Oconto County planning process that includes 16 communities and the county. The county was divided into three clusters and a planner heads one cluster. Each cluster has between four and seven communities. The planning process is nearing its half-way point with open houses scheduled for May and June. The background information has been completed and meeting with individual communities will begin in June. There were questions regarding development of a state comprehensive plan and the loss of property rights through additional controls. Mr. Van Laanen provided a short overview of the legislation and everyone had their questions answered.

- VIII. Review and Recommendation of Endorsement to the Commission of Comprehensive Plans for the Towns of Luxemburg and Pierce and the City of Kewaunee (Kewaunee County); Town of Centerville (Manitowoc County); and City of Peshtigo (Marinette County); as Part of the Making of the Bay-Lake Regional Master Plan - Resolutions, 2-2007, 3-2007, 4-2007, 5-2007, and 6-2007, respectively.

Moved by Chuck Wagner seconded by Mary Meyer that the Work Program Committee recommends approval of Resolutions 2-2007, 3-2007, 4-2007, 5-2007, and 6-2007 by the full Commission. Motion carried, with all voting aye on a voice vote.

- IX. There were no comments on the March 2007 Monthly Work Program Activity Report.
- X. Ed Kelley brought up an effort by the Potawatomi Tribe regarding expansion of a non-attainment area around their reservation. The air emissions area would include a 10 mile zone and a 62 mile zone around the reservation, which may impact the type of industry communities within these zones could attract. The deadline to submit comments to the EPA is April 27, 2007.
- XI. **Moved** by Dom Markwardt and seconded by Chuck Wagner that the Work Program Committee adjourn. Motion carried, with all voting aye on a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard L. Heath
Recording Secretary