Planning & Zoning Committee

Planning Meeting

January 13, 2012

7:30 A.M.

PRESENT: Supervisors Brennand, Egan, Thompson. Jerry Bougie, Brian O'Rourke, Cary Rowe. Tim Schwecke, Civi Tek Consulting.

EXCUSED: Diakoff, Sievert

1. <u>Minute Approval – December 9th, 16th, & 21st, 2011.</u>

Motion by C. Thomson to approve minutes as presented. Seconded by T. Egan. Motion carried 3-0-2.

2. <u>Review and Discussion on draft Comprehensive Revision of County Zoning</u> <u>Ordinance – Tim Schwecke.</u>

Tim Schwecke, Civi Tek Consulting, provided a brief history of the zoning ordinance re-write project. He also stated that the current ordinance contains the floodplain and shoreland ordinances within it, whereas these will be stand alone ordinance chapters under the proposed revision. He also provided a brief review of a new website developed for the project.

The Committee requested that this item be placed on their February agenda in order for them to review the text of the code and ask questions. T. Schwecke stated that he would be able to attend that meeting in order to answer any questions the Committee may have.

There was no further discussion of this item.

3. Update on County Farmland Preservation Plan.

B. O'Rourke stated that P. Brennand, Charlie Handy of Civi Tek, J. Bougie, Cary Rowe and himself met with various DATCP staff to discuss the County's proposed Farmland Preservation Plan. He stated that C. Handy answered all questions DATCP staff had, and provided an excellent explanation of how and why the plan was drafted. As of today's date County staff has not been informed whether the plan has been certified by the State. P. Brennand stated that although he had indicated at the last County Board meeting that he would not be recommending another adjournment of this item on the County Board floor, that given the meeting and discussion that took place with DATCP, he will recommend an additional adjournment of this item to the County Board, assuming the State has not certified the plan by that time.

There was no further discussion of this item.

4. <u>Discussion and possible committee action on policy for multi-zoned parcels and agricultural zoned parcels under five acres</u>.

B. O'Rourke stated that he has received multiple requests from property owners to remove the multi-zoned stats of their property. Staff feels comfortable at this time for the Committee to take formal action on the policy of only removing multi-zoned status with owner approval, and to zone all existing parcels under five acres, currently zoned A-2, to R-1.

Motion by C. Thomson to adopt previously described policy. Seconded by T. Egan. Motion carried 3-0-2.

There was no further discussion on this item.

Motion to adjourn by T. Egan to adjourn. Seconded C. Thompson. Motion carried 3-0-2.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 A.M.

Brian O'Rourke – Recording Secretary