

Wood County Planning Commission
January 8, 2008 @ 5:30pm

The Wood County Planning Commission met in regular session on Tuesday, January 8, 2008 at the County Office Building in Bowling Green. Planning Commission members in attendance were: Jim Carter, Pat Fitzgerald, Richard Kohring, Alvie Perkins, Donna Schuerman, and Leslee Thompson. Planning Commission staff in attendance was: David Steiner, Kelly Hemminger, and Cheryl Riffner. In addition to Planning Commission members and staff, 2 guests were present.

Chairman Fitzgerald called the meeting to order. Upon calling the meeting to order, Mr. Steiner reported that Mr. Huber would not be able to attend the meeting and noted that he had submitted several corrections to the December 2007 Planning Commission meeting minutes. Mr. Steiner reported that Mr. Huber had noted that the official title of the "record plat" read, "RIVER BEND LAKES SUBDIVISION PLAT I, AMENDED REPLAT OF LOTS 85, 86, 87, & 88", and he also reported that the Wood County Engineers Office had researched and determined that the referenced ditch at the back of the lots was **not** under the County maintenance program. Mr. Steiner stated that Mr. Huber reported that the ditch had been redrawn to show its proper course as of the filing of the plat and all references to maintenance were removed. Mrs. Thompson made a motion to approve the December 2007 Planning Commission meeting minutes as amended. Mr. Kohring seconded the motion with Commission members in full support.

New Business:

MIDDLETON TOWNSHIP – ZONING

The Middleton Township Trustees submitted a revised sign regulation section to the Middleton Township Zoning Resolution for review and comment. The newly proposed sign regulations section incorporated new definitions, detailed illustrations and diagrams, as well as updated setback and square footage requirements.

Mr. Steiner began his review and discussion by stating that the sign regulations that were proposed by Middleton Township were easy to read and understand. Mr. Steiner noted that Middleton Township would be responsible for administering the sign regulations if they were adopted into their Zoning Resolution.

When the item was turned over to Planning Commission members for review and discussion, Mr. Kohring reported that the signage regulations were excellent and noted that he had several minor suggestions. Mr. Kohring suggested that under Section 3:1, Illumination, governmental signs for traffic control should be categorized as an exception. Mr. David Reid, Middleton Township Zoning Inspector, stated that governmental sign would be considered exempt. Mr. Kohring also suggested researching the regulation of semi trailers, which are sometimes used as billboards.

When the item was turned over to Planning Commission members for a motion, Mr. Carter moved to approve the revised signage regulation section of the Middleton

Township Zoning Resolution. Ms. Schuerman seconded the motion with Commission members responding in full support.

Director's Time:

Mr. Steiner reported that the Community Development Block Grant Ranking Sheet would be reviewed at the next Planning Commission meeting, which would be held on February 5, 2008 at 5:30p.m.

Mr. Steiner provided Planning Commission members with dates for the 2008 Planning Commission Meetings. Mr. Steiner also provided Planning Commission members with the 2008 budget summary for the Wood County Planning Commission. Mr. Fitzgerald questioned if funds could be allocated towards meeting presentation. Mr. Steiner stated that equipment could be borrowed from the Commissioners Office for this purpose.

There being no further discussion, the meeting stood adjourned with a motion from Mr. Perkins. Mrs. Thompson seconded the motion with Commission members responding in full support.