Wood County Planning Commission May 5, 2009 @ 5:30pm

The Wood County Planning Commission met in regular session on Tuesday, May 5, 2009 at the County Office Building in Bowling Green. Planning Commission members in attendance were: Anthony Allion, John Brossia, Tim Brown, Jim Carter, Patrick Fitzgerald, Dick Kohring, Donna Schuerman, and Leslee Thompson. Planning Commission staff in attendance was: David Steiner, Kelly Hemminger, and Cheryl Riffner. Two guests were present at the meeting.

Old Business:

Mr. Kohring made a motion to approve the April 2009 Planning Commission meeting minutes. Mrs. Thompson seconded the motion with commission members responding in full support.

New Business:

ACTIVITIES REPORT (April 2009)

Mr. Steiner reported that zoning regulations were drafted for outdoor wood fired boilers and solar panels. Mr. Steiner stated that he had met with Grand Rapids Township Zoning Commission to discuss updates to the township's current zoning text and reviewed proposed definitions for the Center Township Zoning Resolution. Mr. Steiner reported that a meeting was conducted with Building Inspection and the City of Bowling Green regarding zoning for outdoor wood fired boilers. Mr. Steiner stated the FY08 Village of Bairdstown project was bid out and reported that a total of \$283,000 had been allocated to Wood County for the FY09 CDBG program. Mr. Steiner reported that three location addresses had been issued and stated that five parcel splits totaling approximately 39 acres had been completed and one parcel combination.

ZONING – WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP

Washington Township Trustees and Zoning Commission submitted zoning language to address residential wind turbines in Washington Township.

Mr. Steiner began his review and stated that Washington Township had submitted language to address residential wind turbines in Washing Township. Mr. Steiner explained that Washington Township had submitted the sample language that was drafted by the Wood County Planning Commission office, which had been adopted by various other townships. Mr. Steiner reported that the only error found in the submitted language was that the township did not use the latest and final version of the language drafted by the Planning Commission office. Mr. Steiner stated that the final version stated that an engineering report needed to be prepared, signed, and sealed by a professional engineer.

When the item was turned over to Planning Commission members for review and discussion, Mrs. Schuerman made a motion to approve the residential wind turbine regulations and suggested that Washington Township adopt the most current version of

the wind turbine regulations. Mr. Brown seconded the motion and commission members responded in full support.

Director's Time:

Mr. Steiner introduced Mrs. Katie Baltz who would be employed with the Wood County Planning Commission starting May 11, 2009. Mrs. Baltz will take the place of Cheryl Riffner, Administrative Assistant, who will retire at the end of May 2009.

Mr. Steiner presented Planning Commission members with a brief presentation on draft zoning regulations for outdoor wood fired boilers and solar panels.

Mr. Steiner informed Planning Commission members that the next Planning Commission meeting would be held on June 2, 2009 @ 5:30pm.

There being no further business, the meeting stood adjourned with a motion from Mr. Kohring. Mrs. Thompson seconded the motion and commission members responded in full support.