

## **DCTA Executive Board Meeting**

Wednesday, October 16, 2013

7:00 PM

Blooming Grove Town Hall  
1880 South Stoughton Road  
Madison, WI 53714

Present: Derr, Olson, Roehl, Pulvermacher, Lee, Klien-Kennedy

Absent: Schulz

Also Present: Renée Lauber, Mark Hazelbaker.

Meeting called to order by President Derr at 7:04 pm.

### Minutes

Motion: Pulvermacher/Olson. Approve 9/18/13 meeting minutes as printed. Carried unanimously.

### Financial Statements

Motion: Pulvermacher/Lee. Accept the financial summary and authorize leaving \$500 in the BMO account. Carried unanimously.

### 2014 Budget

An email with the budget information and dues schedule was sent to towns for review last month and only one comment received.

Motion: Pulvermacher/Klien-Kennedy. Send letter to towns stating the DCTA Executive Board is adopting the proposed budget and dues schedule as presented to the towns last month. If any town has further comments they should send them in. Carried unanimously.

### Update on Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee

Renée reported on the uneven progress of the Committee and shared a Resource Protection Areas presentation given to the Committee by Brian Standing. Statistical errors/misrepresentation of data in the presentation were reviewed. The proposed regulation of hydric soils and the 500 year floodplain were discussed in detail. It was noted that NRCS soil maps were never intended to be used at the individual parcel scale. Expensive on-site soil evaluations would be needed and landowners should not have to take on that burden. In addition, hydric soils do not necessarily relate to

increased flooding potential and do not have unique plant communities. Questions were raised about the science behind the proposal.

Regarding increasing floodplain regulation, Mark questioned if counties had the authority to exceed state standards. He will research the issue and draft a memo to let towns know this is going on.

#### Discuss Proactive Action on Dane Com 2015 contracts

DaneCom Governing Board – Jim reported that increased charges should level off. Most of the increases are in software updates. There will not be another meeting until February.

The Board discussed the DaneCom contract noting the work it did to get towns to agree to the current contract and that it ends in 2015. Many towns are not happy with communication and fees and may not agree to another contract. Questions were asked about any grounds or leverage the county might have to make the towns continue with another contract. The Executive Board will discuss the status with the County Executive at their next meeting.

Motion: Pulvermacher/Olson. Approve memo drafted by Mark going to list on page four and County Exec and County Board. Carried unanimously.

#### Dane County Ordinance Amendments:

- Mineral Extraction – nonconforming sites. The town of Dunn blasting ordinance was discussed. Mark will send it out with comment that this is an option worth considering and reminder to towns that their opinion is due back by our November meeting.
- A-B(a).  
Motion: Olson/Klien-Kennedy. Support changes to Chapter 10 to create A-B(a) district. Carried unanimously.
- Co-1. Will the landowners be contacted? Some of these non-conforming A1-Ex ag parcels are buildable (in Springfield if they were created before 1968). Individual notices should go out to landowners with Co-1 zoned property. Is it going to be used to deprive people of property rights. Mark will express concerns at the public hearing. Renée noted that many of the questions on this topic seemed to be related to the Farmland Preservation re-mapping initiative. She will get additional information on that process.

District 1 town contact report – Jerry has been out of town, but noted that York is interested in coming back in to the association – they would like to pay \$500 dollars for dues.

Update on state legislative proposals

SB338 – town TIF bill – The towns where the new Amazon facility is going have been carved out and are now the only ones in the bill.

Towns out of state-wide zoning – the bill has changed to apply to only Dane County. So far, 11 towns in Dane County are interested. County shoreland, floodplain and wetland zoning would remain intact. The bill would state that the County Plan must incorporate a town plan without change. It would take away County subdivision review and give opt in opportunities every 3 years. How is the city of Madison going to view this and how are the cities and villages going to view this proposal?

Mark sent a memo out on this a few months ago. The Board requested another memo letting towns know how the political situation has changed and to keep the towns informed about what is going on. It should also state that the DCTA will have an informational meeting once the bill has sponsors is drafted.

Having a DCTA registered lobbyist was discussed and put on hold.

Other

Set appointment with County Executive Parisi to discuss: hydric soils, DaneCom's future, and why DCTA is trying to get out of Dane County Zoning – dates in early November at 4:00 PM work best.

Send out list of accomplishments with Budget memo.

9:21 Motion: Roehl/Olson Adjourn. Carried unanimously.