

**SMART PLANNING  
Meeting Minutes**

**April 11, 2012**

**10:00 a.m.**

**The Meadows, 15766 Clover Lane  
Asbury, IA 52002**

**Consortium Members**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anna O'Shea-Dubuque County     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Janet Berger-City of Epworth |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laura Carstens-City of Dubuque | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Joyce Jarding-City of Farley |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dave Johnson (proxy)-City of Dubuque      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Karen Snyder-City of Peosta  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Beth Bonz-City of Asbury       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eric Schmechel-Dubuque SWCD  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tim Long-City of Cascade                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Chandra Ravada-ECIA                     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mick Michel-City of Dyersville |  |

**Public Present**

Larry Nagle

**Staff Present**

Dan Fox, Paige Comer

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Anna O'Shea at 10:10 a.m. The Smart Planning meeting for April 11, 2012 was held at The Meadows in Asbury, Iowa. Introductions were made.

### **Approval of the Agenda**

Motion by Carstens, second by Bonz to approve the agenda for April 11, 2012. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Review and approve the minutes from the Wednesday, November 23, 2011 Smart Planning Consortium Meeting**

A few spelling errors were noted in the March 28, 2012 minutes.

Motion by Carstens, second by Snyder to approve the March 28, 2012 minutes as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Comments from the public that do not appear on the agenda.**

There were no comments from the public.

### **Review/ Approve Infrastructure and Utilities Chapter**

Fox presented the Infrastructure and Utilities Chapter.

The consortium requested adding a section on recycling to the chapter.

For page 3, Nagel will ask Kelsey McElroy about other telecommunications providers that can be added to the existing list.

Discussion followed and other grammatical and word changes were made to the document. Fox will write the city paragraphs and will have that ready for the next meeting.

### **Discussion on Agriculture and Natural Resources Goals and Objectives**

Fox presented the Infrastructure and Utilities Chapter

After some discussion, it was decided that objective 3.2 will become Goal 4. Schmechel will write objectives for Goal 4.

Discussion followed and other grammatical and word changes were made to the document. Fox will make the changes and present the chapter at the next meeting.

### **Discussion on Agriculture and Natural Resources Chapter**

Fox asked the consortium what they would like to see in the Agriculture and Natural Resources Chapter. Discussion followed. Some of the suggestions from the consortium were to included: karst topography, description of government programs, air and water quality data, difference between county and city

prospective on agricultural and environmental issues, a corn suitability rating (CSR) map and an explanation of CSR and what it is used for in Dubuque County, and to address the 2 mile urban fringe areas.

#### **Update on CDGB Grant**

O'Shea shared that the RFP had been sent out on Monday, March 26. Proposals are due by the 20<sup>th</sup> of April.

#### **Update on CPAT Grant**

O'Shea explained that she is still waiting for confirmation on a team leader.

#### **Other Business**

Don Hayes, the library director has agreed to be the “champion” for the broadband study.

The Asbury open house is on the 25<sup>th</sup> of April.

#### **Adjournment**

Motion by Carstens, second by Bonz to adjourn the April 11, 2012 Smart Planning meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.