

**SMART PLANNING
Meeting Minutes**

August 22, 2012

10:00 a.m.

**ECIA, 7600 Commerce Park
Dubuque, 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 type="checkbox"/> Laura Carstens-City of Dubuque | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Joyce Jarding-City of Farley |
| <input checked="" 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

Jim Bodnar, Dubuque County

Staff Present

Dan Fox, Paige Comer

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Anna O'Shea at 10:05 a.m. The Smart Planning meeting for August 22, 2012 was held at ECIA in Dubuque, Iowa.

Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved. Motion by Bonz, second by Snyder to approve the agenda for August 22, 2012. The motion passed unanimously.

Review and approve the minutes from the Wednesday, August 8, 2012 Smart Planning Consortium Meeting

A couple changes were made to the minutes from Wednesday August 8, 2012. Michel was not present at the August 8 meeting. Motion by Bonz, second by Michel to approve the minutes from August 8, 2012 as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

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

No public was present for comments.

Discussion on Future Land Use Maps

Fox presented the changes made to the Land Use Maps. The maps will be ready before the next set of public meetings with the cities.

Discussion on Agriculture and Natural Resources Chapter

Schmechel sent updates on the Agriculture and Natural Resources Chapter to the consortium. Discussion occurred regarding the additions, such as the wildlife section by the County Conservation Board and the summary. Schmechel mentioned that water contamination in rural water wells will still be touched on. Consortium agreed that the chapter could say to refer back to the infrastructure chapter for more information on water contamination.

The consortium would like to see the state and federal programs separated, and for a few sentences or small paragraph would be added for each program to give the public a reference about each program and where to find more information.

Motion by Bonz, second by Berger to approve the Agriculture and Natural Resources Chapter as amended. As a rough draft. Motion passed unanimously.

If anyone finds any errors, send corrections to Fox.

Discussion on the Issues and Opportunities Chapter

Fox presented the Issues and Opportunities Chapter. Corrections were made with much discussion. Grammar was corrected and some sentences were reworded to make sure everything comes across clearly for the audience.

Motion by Michel, second by Jarding to approve the Issues and Opportunities Chapter as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on the Community Character Chapter

Fox would like everyone to identify things that make their communities unique and how the community works to preserve that. The objectives each community needs to include are historical or cultural characteristics as well as agriculture and natural resources. For each objective include a few goals.

Email these to Fox, and they will be corrected through email. Send any comments that you may have on the Community Character Chapter to Fox.

Motion by Bonz, second by Berger to approve the Community Character Chapter over internet email. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on Implementation Chapter

The Implementation Chapter will be discussed at the next September meeting. The draft will be ready for the October wrap up meeting.

Update on CDGB ARRA Grant

There was good attendance at the meeting for the Rural Model Smart Code. The next meeting is on Monday, August 27 at the County Courthouse at 5:30 pm. There will be an update given to the board and the board will be asked to approve the resolution. The resolution is to accept and approve the final draft.

Update on CPAT Grant

The team will be here October 17-20. The schedule is being put together, and everything will be planned from there.

Other Business

There is a trails webinar opportunity on September 12.

Adjournment

Motion by Bonz, second by Jarding to adjourn the August 22, 2012 Smart City Planning meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.