

Minutes of the Land Use and Development Committee

The Land Use and Development Committee of the McLean County Board met on May 5, 2005 at 4:45 p.m. in Room 400, Government Center, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chairman Gordon, Members Segobiano, Cavallini, Rackauskas, Ahart and Baggett

Members Absent: None

Other Board Members Present: None

Staff Present: Ms. Christine Northcutt, Recording Secretary, County Administrator's Office

Department Heads/
Elected Officials
Present: Mr. Phil Dick, Director, Building and Zoning

Others Present: Ms. Christine Brauer, Regional Planning Commission; Ms. Michelle Covi, Director, Ecology Action Center; Mr. Bill Bourret

Chairman Gordon called the meeting to order at 4:50 p.m.

Chairman Gordon stated that the first order of business is the approval of the April 7, 2005 minutes. Hearing no corrections, Chairman Gordon placed the minutes of the April 7, 2005 Land Use and Development Committee meetings on file as presented.

Chairman Gordon presented the bills and a transfer from April 30, 2005. Chairman Gordon advised the Committee that he would take the transfer request separately. The total for April 30, 2005 bills is \$30,503.31, with the prepaid total being the same.

Motion by Cavallini/Ahart to recommend approval of the April 30, 2005 bills as presented by the County Auditor. Motion carried.

Chairman Gordon invited Mr. Phil Dick, Director, Building and Zoning to explain the Transfer to the Committee. Mr. Dick informed the Committee that this is a transfer from the Department of Building and Zoning's Seasonal Employment Account to the Vehicle Maintenance Account. This Transfer is due to the fact that the Building and Zoning vehicle is in need of some repairs which are over the budgeted amount. It is a rear hub and a rear strut which need to be replaced. Mr. Dick explained that with Mr. Bill Kerber's retirement from Building and Zoning, a new employee has been hired and so rather than training an intern and a new employee, the Department is opting not to have an intern this year. Mr. Dick noted that he did clear this with Mr. John Zeunik, County Administrator, before proposing it to the Committee. Mr. Zeunik has indicated that there is no problem with the proposed transfer.

Motion by Segobiano/Ahart to recommend approval a transfer of \$1,200.00 from the Seasonal Employment Line-item Account to the Vehicle Maintenance Line-item Account in the Department of Building and Zoning. Motion carried.

Chairman Gordon stated that the first item for action is a request by Mr. Gary Bourret for approval of a waiver of preliminary plan requirements and a one-lot final subdivision plat for the Gary Bourret Subdivision for property located in Downs Township at 6739 North – 1800 East Road, Bloomington. Chairman Gordon asked Mr. Dick to present this item to the Committee. Mr. Dick informed the Committee that Mr. Bourret is requesting to set aside the farm dwelling on Lot 1 aside from the farm acreage. Mr. Dick advised the Committee that the Township Road Commissioner has signed off on the Plat Access Certificate. The County Highway Department and the County Health Department have also signed off on this request. Mr. Dick stated that he would recommend approval of this request.

Motion by Segobiano/Cavallini to recommend approval of a waiver of Preliminary Plan requirements and a one-lot Final Subdivision Plat for the Gary Bourret Subdivision for property located in Downs Township at 6739N – 1800 East Road, Bloomington, File No. S-05-08.

Mr. Segobiano asked why Mr. Bourret is setting this aside from the farm acreage. Mr. Dick asked if Mr. Bill Bourret could answer that question for Mr. Segobiano. Mr. Bourret stated that his brother Mr. Gary Bourret and his wife are getting older and want to move into Bloomington, so they want to sell this house.

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Chairman Gordon asked if there were any further questions from the Committee. Hearing none, Chairman Gordon called for a vote on the previous motion. Chairman Gordon noted that the Chair will vote.

Motion carried.

Chairman Gordon stated that the next item on the agenda is for information. It is the quarterly Solid Waste Report from the Ms. Michelle Covi, Director, Ecology Action Center (EAC). Chairman Gordon advised the Committee that Ms. Covi's report is located in their agenda packets.

Ms. Covi stated that she would be happy to answer any questions that the Committee may have. Ms. Covi handed out fliers to the Committee promoting the EAC's next Hazardous Waste Collection Day. Ms. Covi stated that one interesting thing that the EAC was able to accomplish recently was to have the fliers for the Hazardous Waste Collection Day translated into Spanish and distributed at Western Avenue Community Center. Ms. Covi stated that the EAC employed an intern from Costa Rica who was able to help them accomplish this task. Ms. Covi stated that this individual also aided in presenting the school age programs to Brigham Elementary School where the Spanish speaking population is the highest. Ms. Rackauskas suggested that Ms. Covi may want to distribute these fliers at the local paint stores. Ms. Covi responded that is a wonderful idea and she will follow through with that request.

Chairman Gordon asked if there were any questions for Ms. Covi. Ms. Ahart stated that she had a question about how the tipping fees will be distributed now that the host fee agreement is in place. Chairman Gordon responded that it is his understanding that those questions will be discussed and answered during the budget cycle this fall.

Chairman Gordon asked if there were any other items to come before the Committee. Hearing none, Chairman Gordon adjourned the meeting at 5:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Northcutt
Recording Secretary