

MINUTES

SOUTHEASTERN WISCONSIN REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

PLANNING AND RESEARCH COMMITTEE

March 5, 2008

2:30 p.m.

Sharon Fire Department
182 Park Avenue
Sharon, Wisconsin

Present:

Excused:

Committee Members:

Daniel S. Schmidt, Chairman
Charlene S. Brady, Vice-Chairman
Thomas H. Buestrin
Gregory L. Holden
William E. Johnson
Mary A. Kacmarcik
David L. Stroik

Anita M. Faraone
Susan S. Greenfield
Lee Holloway
Michael J. Miklasevich
Robert W. Pitts
Anselmo Villarreal
Paul G. Vrakas

Staff:

Philip C. Evenson	Executive Director
Loretta Watson	Executive Secretary

ROLL CALL

Chairman Schmidt called the meeting to order at 2:40 p.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum declared present. Mr. Evenson noted for the record that Commissioners Faraone, Greenfield, Holloway, Miklasevich, Pitts, Villarreal, and Vrakas had asked to be excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING OF DECEMBER 5, 2007

On a motion by Mr. Stroik, seconded by Ms. Brady, and carried unanimously, the minutes of the meeting of December 5, 2007, were approved as published.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE REGIONAL WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN

Sewer Service Area Plan for the Village of Paddock Lake

Chairman Schmidt asked Mr. Evenson to review with the Committee a proposed amendment to the adopted regional water quality management plan pertaining to the sanitary sewer service area for the Village of Paddock Lake. A copy of the preliminary draft of a SEWRPC Staff Memorandum dated March 2008 concerning this matter had been provided to the Committee members for review prior to the meeting.

Mr. Evenson indicated that by letter dated January 21, 2008, the Village of Paddock Lake requested that the Commission amend the Paddock Lake sanitary sewer service area. That area is currently documented in SEWRPC Community Assistance Planning Report No. 145, *Sanitary Sewer Service Areas for the Town of Salem Utility District No. 1, Village of Paddock Lake, and Town of Bristol Utility District Nos. 1 and 1B, Kenosha County, Wisconsin*, dated October 1986, as amended. The purpose of the amendment would be to include within the planned sewer service area certain lands located immediately adjacent to, but outside, the Paddock Lake sewer service area.

Mr. Evenson then directed the attention of the Committee members to Map 1 of the memorandum document. He noted that the total area proposed to be added to the sewer service area approximates 157 acres, including 55 acres of environmentally significant land, 88 acres of agricultural land, and 14 acres of street right-of-way. The added lands would accommodate about 220 housing units with a population of about 575 persons under full buildout conditions. With this increase, the estimated buildout population of the sewer service area, 6,300 persons, would remain within the Commission's projected year 2035 population range of 5,000 to 7,900 persons for the sewer service area.

Mr. Evenson noted that the proposed amendment was taken to public hearing on February 20, 2008. There were no objections to the proposal. The amendment was approved by the Paddock Lake Village Board following that hearing. Mr. Evenson indicated that the Commission staff recommends approval of the proposed amendment as consistent with regional plans.

There being no questions or comments, on a motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Holden, and carried unanimously, the SEWRPC Staff Memorandum dated March 2008 concerning this matter was approved and recommended to the Commission for adoption.

Sewer Service Area Plan for the City of Mequon

Chairman Schmidt asked Mr. Evenson to review with the Committee a proposed amendment to the adopted regional water quality management plan pertaining to the sanitary sewer service area for the City of Mequon. A copy of the preliminary draft of a SEWRPC staff memorandum dated March 2008 concerning this matter had been provided to the Committee members for review prior to the meeting.

Mr. Evenson indicated that by letter dated August 28, 2007, the City of Mequon requested that the Commission amend the City of Mequon sanitary sewer service area tributary to the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD). That area is currently documented in a SEWRPC report entitled, *Amendment to the Regional Water Quality Management Plan-2000, City of Mequon*, dated June 1995. The purpose of the amendment would be to include within the planned Mequon sewer service area certain lands located immediately adjacent to, but outside, the currently adopted sewer service area.

Mr. Evenson directed the attention of the Committee members to Map 1 of the memorandum document, noting that this is a minor amendment involving the addition of about 44 acres to the sewer service area. The subject area consists entirely of agricultural land, 20 acres of which is located in the 100-year floodplain. The 20-acre farmed floodplain is envisioned to eventually revert to more natural conditions, becoming part of an abutting isolated natural resource area when agricultural operations cease. The developable portion of the subject area is proposed to be developed for residential use, accommodating about 21 housing units with a population of about 55 persons.

Mr. Evenson indicated that a public hearing on the proposed amendment was held on December 11, 2007. There were no objections to the amendment. The Mequon Common Council approved the amendment following that hearing. Mr. Evenson indicated that the staff finds the amendment to be consistent with the regional plan and recommends its approval.

Following a brief discussion that focused on the definition of an isolated natural resource area, on a motion by Mr. Stroik, seconded by Ms. Brady, and carried unanimously, the SEWRPC Staff Memorandum dated March 2008 concerning this matter was approved and recommended to the Commission for adoption.

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Evenson indicated that the major work of this Committee for the remainder of the year will be on reviewing the forthcoming regional water supply plan. It is hoped, he said, that some additional material relative to that plan will be ready for this Committee to review at its next meeting scheduled for June 3, 2008.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on a motion by Mr. Stroik, seconded by Mr. Johnson, and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Philip C. Evenson
Deputy Secretary

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