

Minutes

Town of Byron Plan Commission

Byron Town Hall

May 24, 2016 6:30 p.m.

Chairman Steve Wessing called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. A time of silence was held for the passing of Kay Oestreich, recently retired clerk for the Town of Byron. Roll call was taken, committee members present were Steve Wessing, Rudy Dubnicka, Robert Geiger, George Trewin, Karen Martin, and Marlin Towne. Gary Langbruttig arrived after the start of the meeting. Also present was Kathy Thunes, our meeting facilitator from the East Central Wisconsin Planning Commission (ECWPC). Others in attendance were Bob Simon, Kay Murre, and Tim Buechel.

Chairman Wessing read the required Open Meeting notification notices and postings. For the total Notification methods you can request a copy from Mary Laudloff, Town of Byron clerk. Approval of the minutes from the February 23rd Plan Commission meeting was tabled and will be on the agenda for the June 28th meeting.

At this time Chairman Wessing turned the meeting over to Kathy Thunes for the distribution and review of the background chapters and fact sheets for the Town of Byron. The background chapters are as follows:

Chapter 4 – Issues and opportunities.

Chapter 5 - Land use.

Chapter 6 - Economic development.

Chapter 7 – Housing.

Chapter 8 – Transportation.

Chapter 9 - Utilities and community facilities.

Chapter 10 – Agricultural, natural and cultural resources.

Chapter 11 - Intergovernmental cooperation.

Kathy presented data and commented on different aspects and issues found within each one of these chapters. Kathy also discussed current and future trends which will need to be considered as we proceed forward in the comprehensive planning process.

Kathy next presented results from the public visioning session held on April 27th from 5-7 p.m. at the Byron Town Hall. Flyers with the headline ***"Your Town – Your Vision"*** were posted throughout the township informing citizens of the upcoming public visioning session. These flyers were also posted on the Town of Byron website. Ten people participated in the visioning session assisted by the staff from the ECWPC adding their input and ideas to the upcoming comprehensive plan update. Kathy commented that although the turnout was low there were many good comments from the people that did attend. These comments were collected and formatted into our current document ***"Identification of key issues and opportunities"*** which touches on many different topics throughout the township.

At this time the meeting was opened up to the public for comments and participation. After some good public comments from the floor and from the committee members Kathy outlined the goals for the next meeting. For the upcoming June meeting we will begin looking at *"drafting vision statements and strategies"* for each of the above mentioned chapters and will review goals, objectives, policies, and recommendations for each of these chapters.

The next meeting will be June 28th at 7:00 p.m. at the Byron Town Hall. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend.

With no further business, Chairman Wessing asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion by Robert Geiger with a second by George Trewin to adjourn. Motion carried at 8:07

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Wessing