

News Letter from

Liberty Township Comprehensive Land Use Plan Advisory Committee

Minutes – October 26, 2006

Secretary Dale Jones opened the meeting at 7:13 p.m. Present are Ten committee members and One guest. Discussion was started about upcoming November and December meetings and a possible conflict with the Thanksgiving and Christmas/New Years holidays. After much discussion, we decided to have the November 30th meeting and delete the December meeting completely.

At the September meeting, Brad Sodders, Co-Chair, asked each member to write a paragraph with their vision of the ideal Liberty Township and present them at the October meeting. After several members presented their visions a general discussion of some of those visions began. Several points were brought up. Namely,

- Decide what land is to be set aside and how it will be maintained,
- Restrict and carefully plan high density housing to only areas with existing support of water and sewers
- Account for the various types of future developments that are expected
- Preserve wooded and agricultural lands
- Use good land management techniques to preserve the land
- It was noted that impact fees were defeated by the Supreme Court

The discussion also covered Conservation development, the need for a Framework for Planning, Farmland Protection, Parks & Recreation land, Commercial and Industrial development, handling Storm Water and Road Development. We discussed the need to set goals for resources, restraints and environmental concerns.

The question was asked, "Can we hold off developers and developments until our plan is in place?" A discussion followed and most members had something to say in that regard. Roger Wolfe mentioned that other Land Use Plans use Revenue Sharing and the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission to collect funds from commercial and residential developers to develop properties.

The November meeting is set to show and discuss the Community Survey results, discuss a mission statement, and look at Madison County and Baltimore Village Land Use Plans.

The November 30th meeting will be in the **High School Library** at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Dale Jones, Secretary

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