

LAND USE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES 07/9/2008

Members present: Dan Bauer, Todd Bjersted, Peter Bloch, Roger VanBeek.

The committee interviewed Chris Rohl and Lilie-Jean Awsumb, and elected to have both join the Committee.

There was broad discussion getting both new members up to speed with what we have accomplished thus far and what our charge is for the future. All members formally signed a Committee Sheet provided by the Township to comply with open meeting laws.

Further discussion revolved around (1) scheduled priorities for further meetings and (2) how to consider the Boundary Agreement issues with River Falls in our subdivision draft.

1. We elected to independently gather information by direction from Chair to initially expand our basket of development design options that could be used in a bonus program for major subdivision. Once defined we will embark upon matching the “numbers” i.e. setbacks, density, lot sizes, etc. to design issues with the St. Croix County Ordinance well within consideration. Matching subdivision ordinances from other communities similar to ours will also be part of this process. We then expect to invite St. Croix County Plan Department and River Falls Planning to meetings to discuss issues that might arise before drafting. We have not scheduled beyond that 4-6 meetings out.
2. We elected not to open negotiations with River Falls regarding the Boundary Agreement until we have completed our task. The Committee authorized Peter Bloch to personally meet with the River Falls Administrator and Mayor to discuss issues that might require consideration in our draft subdivision ordinance

The Committee will meet again 3:00 PM July 23, 2008.