

LAND USE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES 08/06/2008

Members present: Dan Bauer, Todd Bjersted, Peter Bloch, Lillie-Jean Awsumb, Chris Rohl, Catherine Munkittrick, Roger VanBeek

The committee discussed, in depth, the St. Croix County Subdivision Ordinance, specifically the Conservation Design Development (CDD) portion. We recognized that the bulk of the County CDD option was sufficient, but lacking in the Bonus Program we want to implement to encourage, rather than mandate CDD in major subdivisions. We began to list questions for the county when we meet with them regarding interpretation and whether our CDD ordinance option would comply.

Further discussion visited (i) the need to specifically value the bonus program; (ii) define “conventional development” and how that relates to the hybrid we want to develop for major subdivisions; (iii) density of coverage ratios for land that is not developable; (iv) road standards within a CDD; (v) administration of open space in a CDD.

The two new members of the Land Use Committee will duplicate the tour(s) before our next scheduled meeting on August 20, 2008 with Dan Bauer and Todd Bjersted. This exercise is to accelerate the visual appreciation for Design Elements and how they relate to overall density.

The next meeting will continue a comparative study of the St. Croix County Subdivision Ordinance with the perceived needs of Kinnickinnic Township. We will utilize a worksheet developed by Dan Bauer to further that study.

The Committee will meet again 3:00 PM August 20, 2008.