

MINUTES OF MEETING
Springfield-Sangamon County Regional Planning Commission
April 15, 2020

INTRODUCTION

Executive Director Molly Berns stated that when the Governor instituted the stay-at-home order, he issued several Executive Orders which provide some flexibility in a number of areas, including the Open Meetings Act. Fortunately, the business of the Regional Planning Commission is such that we are able to use technology for our meetings. While this meeting is not being held in person, normal protocols were followed regarding public notice to make sure that interested parties have the ability to participate in the meeting. In addition, the meeting is being recorded so there will be meeting minutes just as there would be if we were meeting in person.

For the purposes of keeping the minutes, Berns asked that members/representatives/others please identify themselves. If someone would like to make a motion, she asked them to say, for example, Frank Squires moves that, and likewise Gregg Humphrey seconds the motion.

Berns also noted that if someone has background noise, that *2 allows them to mute/unmute their individual phone line.

1. CALL TO ORDER.

Chairman Joe Gooden called the teleconference via OpenVoice to order at 9:32 AM.

2. ROLL CALL.

Mary Jane Niemann called the roll.

JULY 2019	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY 2020	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	Member	Representative	Affiliation
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X			Joe Gooden, Chair		City of Springfield
X			X	X	X	X	X		X			Ken Springs, Vice Chair		Sangamon County
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X			Greg Kruger, Secretary		City of Springfield
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	M E E T I N G C A N C E L E D	X			Mayor Jim Langfelder	Bonnie Drew / Val Yazell	City of Springfield
X					X	X	X					Andy Van Meter	Brian McFadden	Sangamon County Board
		X	X	X	X	X						Ald. Joe McMenamin		City Council
X	X	X			X				X			Ald. Andrew Proctor		City Council
X	X	X	X	X	X		X			X		Greg Stumpf	Trustin Harrison	Sangamon County Board
X		X	X	X	X	X	X			X		George Preckwinkle	Charlie Stratton	Sangamon County Board
	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					Leslie Sgro	Jason Graham	Springfield Park District
	X	X	X		X	X	X			X		Frank Vala	Roger Blickensderfer	Springfield Airport Authority
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X		Brian Brewer	Frank Squires / Steve Schoeffel	Sangamon Mass Transit District
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X		Dick Ciotti	Gregg Humphrey / Rob Leinweber / Jason Jacobs	Sangamon County Water Reclamation District
X			X	X	X		X					Jeff Vose	Lyle Wind / Shannon Fehrholz	Regional Office of Education
X	X	X		X	X	X						Eric Hansen		Sangamon County
												Vacant (March 2019 -		City of Springfield
X		X	X							X		Larry Hamlin		Sangamon County

Others

John Klemm
Val Yazell
John Klemm

Staff

Molly Berns
Jordan Leaf
Mary Jane Niemann
Joe Zeibert

3. MINUTES OF MEETING.

Chairman Gooden asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the February 19, 2020 Regional Planning Commission meeting. There were none. The minutes were accepted as mailed.

4. MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE POLICY BOARD.

There was no meeting of the Executive Policy Board.

5. REPORT OF OFFICERS.

Chairman Gooden thanked the SSCRPC staff for making this teleconference meeting possible.

6. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

- A. STAFF WORKING REMOTELY** - Berns stated that before the SSCRPC staff began working from home on March 19th, there were several days to put a plan in place that would minimize disruption of the SSCRPC office operations.

Berns updated the Commission on what the SSCRPC staff has been working remotely:

- All staff checks their office voicemail and email daily.
- Questions from developers about the land subdivision process are being addressed and projects are reviewed and moving forward. Activity has been fairly brisk so far.
- A process has been developed to approve surveys that were on their way to be recorded so no projects are being held up because the SSCRPC staff has been absent from the building.
- The staff analyses of zoning petitions have been completed, and floodplain questions addressed.
- The transportation staff has been busy finalizing the Long Range Transportation Plan.
- The SSCRPC website has been under review so that the content may be updated.
- Bills are being paid.

Berns pointed out that this is just a small sample of what the staff has been doing while working from home. She stated that the staff misses not seeing each other daily, but noted that all check in with one another regularly.

Berns encouraged anyone with questions or concerns to contact her via email at Molly.Berns@co.sangamon.il.us.

Berns stated that she was thankful that all staff remains healthy so far.

7. CORRESPONDENCE.

There was no correspondence.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS / COMMENTS.

There was no one who wished to address the Commission.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Land Subdivision Committee (LSC) – There were was one project to be acted upon by the Regional Planning Commission this month:

The North Reserve

Location & Sketch Map

Description: Part of the NW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 25, T15N, R6W – Located south of Foxhall Lane and Panther Creek Drive

Joe Zeibert noted that this development consists of 25 proposed single-family lots on 34 acres located south of Panther Creek Drive and Foxhall Lane, north of The Reserve Subdivision. Foxhall Lane will extend to connect to Panther Creek West Subdivision and The Reserve Subdivision. Foxhall Lane currently connects to Spaulding Orchard Road. Floodplain is located west of the property. A detailed drainage study, traffic analysis and reimbursement fee with the Sangamon County Water Reclamation District will be addressed at the preliminary plan stage.

The Land Subdivision Committee recommended approval of the Location & Sketch Map.

Frank Squires asked directions to The North Reserve if one was travelling on the lane off of Spaulding Orchard Road to The Reserve Subdivision. Zeibert said going to the right which stubs to the north is Foxhall Lane.

Steve Walker noted that the Sangamon County Water Reclamation District reimbursement fee goes to John Klemm when he builds the sewer to serve this development. Gregg Humphrey said the fee was for the pump station to be constructed at Parkway Pointe as per a previous special assessment. Humphrey said he will verify and submit information to Walker.

Commissioner Larry Hamlin moved to concur with the action of the Land Subdivision Committee to recommend approval of The North Reserve – Location & Sketch Map. Vice-Chairman Ken Springs seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously via a roll call vote.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

There was no unfinished business.

11. NEW BUSINESS.

There was no new business.

12. SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS.

There were no special announcements or presentations.

13. ADJOURNMENT.

Chairman Gooden noted that the next Regional Planning Commission meeting will be held on May 20, 2020.

There being no further business, Vice-Chairman Springs moved to adjourn. Secretary Greg Kruger seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 9:46 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

MJN

Mary Jane Niemann
Recording Secretary