

Planning and Zoning Commission
Village of Leawood

The Leawood Planning and Zoning Commission met Monday, March 24, 2014 at Redings Mill Main Fire Station.

Chairman Kurt Higgins called the 6:05 p.m. meeting to order with Cliff Barker, Bill Bowers, Denny Desmond, Brad Long and Phyllis Sapp also present. Rick McCord was excused.

Agenda was approved with motion by Desmond and second by Barker. Minutes of the January 21, 2014 meeting were approved with Desmond making the motion and Long seconding.

Chairman Kurt Higgins opened the Public Hearing for the Comprehensive Plan, 2014 by reading the agenda statement explanation (attached, item 4). Desmond noted the CP contained 45 pages. Copies were available for residents and three copies were distributed for the clerical files of Planning and Zoning, Board of Trustees, and Newton County Recorder. Questions or comments were invited from those attending. There were none and residents indicated they were just present to listen.

Resolution No. 14-01 adopting Village of Leawood Comprehensive Plan, 2014 (as prepared by Village Attorney Mike Talley) was read by the secretary, Phyllis Sapp and motioned by Barker to be accepted and seconded by Bowers. Motion unanimously passed. With the printed resolution, a Certification of Village of Leawood Comprehensive Plan, 2014 was added to be passed on to the Trustees from the Planning and Zoning Secretary. Denny Desmond will have the Plan recorded with Newton County and provide the necessary copy.

Kurt discussed other goals that in the future would be favored but could not do now as they would raise property taxes. The intersection of 44th and Connecticut was an example. A traffic signal would cost around \$400,000. He felt Joplin will probably come through and provide that once the hospital is going and traffic continues to increase.

Denny Desmond noted the CP Committee had 13 representatives from all village areas who studied the survey responses and completed the plan. It was encouraging that almost 50% of residents responded when 20% would have been a typical number. The plan should be updated every 10 years. HSTCC representatives were thanked for the tremendous help they provided to the CP Committee.

Nathan Jurey of HSTCC was present and thanked the Village and CP members for the excellent co-operation allowing them to meet the 6 month deadline as it all flowed smoothly.

In other old business, Kurt announced the approval of a building permit request by Dr. Ajit Nagra for new residential construction at 5132 Brookwood Drive. Sapp also thanked Kurt for his support and personal time in helping both the new owners and neighboring residents understand the Planning and Zoning requirements of the Village. She noted we are fortunate to have a professional engineer with extensive experience chair that commission.

A request from SBA Communications for a Building Permit for 600 E. 50th St. was also approved by Chairman Higgins. This was for adding additional lines to an existing tower.

The meeting was adjourned with Barker making the motion and Long seconding.

Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis Sapp
Secretary, Planning and Zoning Commission

Minutes approved: _____ Date: _____