



Rochester Hills

Minutes

Community Development & Viability Committee

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*Ed Anzek, Bryan Barnett, Scott Cope, Frank Cosenza, Jim Duistermars, Barbara Holder,
Kristina Hurst, Michael Kaszubski, Elise Pawlowski, Roger Rousse*

Thursday, October 27, 2005

5:30 PM

1000 Rochester Hills Drive

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Barnett called the CDV Committee meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Bryan Barnett, Jim Duistermars, Barbara Holder and Michael Kaszubski

Absent: Frank Cosenza

Non-Voting Members Present: Roger Rousse and Elise Pawlowski

Non-Voting Members Absent: Ed Anzek, Scott Cope and Kristina Hurst

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2005-0613

Community Development & Viability Regular Meeting - April 28, 2005

Attachments: draft minutes.pdf; Minutes Resolution.pdf

A motion was made by Kaszubski, seconded by Holder, that this matter be Approved.

Resolved that the CDV Committee hereby approves the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 28, 2005 as presented.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Barnett, Duistermars, Holder and Kaszubski

Absent: Cosenza

2005-0687

Joint Community Development & Viability/Financial Services Meeting - April 28, 2005.

Attachments: 042805 FS Draft Minutes.pdf; FS Draft Minutes Resolution.pdf

A motion was made by Kaszubski, seconded by Holder, that this matter be Approved.

Resolved that the Financial Services Committee hereby approves the Minutes of the Joint CDV/FS Meeting of April 28, 2005 as presented.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Barnett, Duistermars, Holder and Kaszubski

Absent: Cosenza

COMMUNICATIONS

None Presented

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2005-0608

Discussion regarding Road Millage

The Committee members discussed the "uphill battle fight" for the Road Millage update noting the following:

** A successful town hall meeting was held with 12 - 15 residents in attendance asking a lot of good questions.*

** Misinformation against the Road Millage includes the following:*

- * Detroit News editorial which stated "...you are masking a problem by asking for a dedicated millage, you should actually revamp your charter..."*
- * Candidates who did not support the Road Millage created seeds of doubt among the voters.*
- * Road Millage Committee members were not qualified with the right background to educate voters.*
- * Vote "yes" signs were constantly removed and stolen.*
- * Alternative solutions being proposed have no basis.*

Mr. Barnett requested Committee members to write letters to the editors of the Eccentric and Oakland Press explaining why they support the Road Millage.

Ms. Holder read her letter to the Committee as follows:

"In response to the Headlines in the October 27th edition regarding the Road Millage for Rochester Hills, I hope the candidates who are against the Road Millage are prepared to pony up to a solution come November if this much needed Millage fails. I have been on the Council for six years and I can absolutely say that there are no hidden funds. The Budget that the residents see is the actual Budget we work with - no hide and seek games are being played. The Road Funding problem was announced to the public, not sugar coated or over inflated. The problem is exactly as presented. As for splitting the problem into two ballot questions, why make one problem into two and still have the same problem year after year. I ask the candidates, please explain why the city is not coming back or where we are not spending our resources responsibly. I do not think you have answers. I asked one candidate how he would solve the road funding issue and he said we need to go for coffee. I do not downplay the serious issue to the level of a casual coffee encounter. I think most of my fellow residents can look through the fog and see the lighthouse. Barbara Holder.

Discussed

YOUTH COMMENTS

None Presented

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Rousse, DPS Director, inquired if all committee members received a copy of the Oakland Land Conservancy Proposal.

Mr. Barnett stated the Conservation Easements will be discussed at next month's Community Development & Viability Committee meeting.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Thursday, November 17, 2005, 5:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chairperson Barnett adjourned the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Minutes Prepared by Sue Busam