

**Madison County Plan Commission Meeting
March 2, 2016**

Members Present:

Don Grimm
Todd Shaw
Mike Busch
Lori Daiber
Kelly Simpson
Charlie Yancey
Matt Pfund

Members Absent:

Megan Reichmann
Kevin Limestall

Others Present:

Matt Brandmeyer
Derek Jackson
Stephen Ibendahl
Andi Campbell Yancey

Call of Meeting to Order

The meeting convened at 6:00p.m.

Citizens Wishing to Address the Commission:

None.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Kelly Simpson made a motion to nominate Lori Daiber as Chairperson of the Madison County Plan Commission. Seconded by Mike Busch. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion approved.

Charlie Yancey made a motion to nominate Kelly Simpson as Vice Chairperson of the Madison County Plan Commission. Seconded by Don Grimm. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion approved.

Don Grimm made a motion to adopt the Madison County Plan Commission By-Laws and Procedures as presented to the Commission. Seconded by Mike Busch. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion approved.

Charlie Yancey inquired about the Open Meetings Act requirement. Matt Brandmeyer explained that it's offered through the Illinois Attorney General's website, and that training must be completed by each Commission member within 90 days.

The Commission members discussed their schedules and established Commission meeting dates for 2016.

Stephen Ibendahl presented a PowerPoint presentation to the Commission.* Stephen discussed the general purpose of planning and the goals planners aim achieve through the planning process. Stephen described the purpose and limitations of comprehensive plans, explaining that the document is the official plan for unincorporated Madison County and should provide a framework for future development and be

a policy guide for zoning and land use decisions. Stephen also explained the role of plan commissioners and provided a run-through of the comprehensive planning process. Stephen and Matt discussed how the County's comp plan will need to coordinate with existing conditions as well as the growth plans of municipalities within the County, touching on some of the challenges associated with these tasks.

Stephen then presented the County's current comprehensive plan to the Commission, explaining the shortcomings and strengths therein. Stephen discussed some of the goals put forth in the current comprehensive plan, stating that objectives such as in-depth stormwater planning and a more structured planning department have been achieved. Stephen and Matt also discussed the current plan's excessive repetition and lack of conciseness – stating that we'd like to have a more user-friendly comp plan that the public can easily navigate with meaningful maps and info-graphics.

Stephen and Matt spent the remainder of the meeting discussing existing conditions in Madison County. Matt touched on the population loss experienced by the County following the recession in 2008 and the impact it has had on the planning process. Matt described the extensive data collection and mapping efforts made by the department over the past few years and the trends they've revealed, stating that we would be discussing these topics further at the next meeting in April.

Administrator's Report:

None.

Adjournment:

Don Grimm made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Charlie Yancey. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned.

*Please note that copies of the PowerPoint Presentation are available upon request. Inquire with Andi Yancey from the Planning and Development Department.