

MINUTES
JOINT MEETING PIQUA CITY COMMISSION MEETING
WITH PIQUA PLANNING COMMISSION
MAY 1, 2007
6:00 P.M.
201 WEST WATER STREET
PIQUA, OHIO 45356

Piqua City Commission met in a Joint Meeting with the Piqua Planning Commission at 6:00 P.M. in the Municipal Government Complex Commission Chambers, 201 W. Water Street. Mayor Hudson called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Also present were Commissioners Barhorst, Vogt, Patrizio, and Terry. Absent: None. Also in attendance: Fred Enderle, City Manager and Planning Commission Board Members, Mark Spoltman, Jean Franz, Jim Oda, and Mike Taylor. Planning Commission Member Dick Sword indicated he would not be in attendance.

Presentation

A Presentation of the Plan It Piqua Draft Goals

Chris Schmiesing, Planning & Zoning Supervisor/Plan It Piqua Project Coordinator stated there were several of the Steering Committee members present which included: Karl Wilson, Stu Shear, and Steve Reindel.

Mr. Schmiesing gave a power-point presentation on the Draft Goals (See enclosed copy of the power-point presentation).

Mr. Schmiesing stated there will be a public meeting held on May 22, 2007, and he would like to receive support from the City Commission and the Planning Commission members tonight.

Mark Spoltman, Chairman of the Planning Commission, opened the floor for comments and questions.

Jim Oda stated the turn out at the public meetings was very disappointing, and asked how it affected the planning process.

Mr. Schmiesing explained that the turn out for the public meetings was lower than expected, but a great number of good ideas and information came out of the meetings.

Commissioner Barhorst stated he would like to see a Senior Citizens Center developed in Piqua, and is glad to see it on the Goals and Strategies Plan. Mr. Barhorst further stated he is a member of the Sidney and Troy Senior Citizens Centers along with many other citizens of Piqua.

Jean Franz voiced her opinion on the need for a Senior Citizens Center in Piqua.

Mayor Hudson asked what the city has done to get input from the various age groups in the City of Piqua.

Mr. Schmiesing explained how the information was received from the various citizens groups. Plan It Piqua organizers met with Leadership Piqua and Teen Leadership groups along with the four public meetings, and spoke to several community service groups as well to gather information. Information on the Plan It Piqua meetings was also available on the City of Piqua website, and on APTA Channel 10.

City Manger Enderle stated the information was sent out through the "Spirit Newsletter" and he feels that citizens were given every opportunity to provide input for the Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Enderle also stated the consultants working with the Grow Piqua Now group are very impressed with the Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Spoltman stated that the Economic Development portion of the goals is not written as a goal and asked if someone could explain.

Mr. Schmiesing explained how the goals were set up and how it effected the Economic Development portion.

Commissioner Terry inquired as to when the next meeting for the public would be held.

Mr. Schmiesing stated there would be a meeting on May 22, 2007 in the Municipal Government Complex entitled "Community Choices" and further information on this meeting will be announced in the future.

Commissioner Terry made a motion for a vote of confidence for the Comprehensive Plan Draft Goals, seconded by Commissioner Vogt. Voice vote: Aye, Hudson, Patrizio, Vogt, Terry, Barhorst, Spoltman, Franz, Oda, and Taylor. Nay: None.

Mr. Oda asked if other comments or suggestions could be added later?

Mr. Schmiesing explained the process for additional comments to be added.

Moved by Jim Oda, seconded by Commissioner Vogt, to adjourn from the Joint Piqua City Commission/ Planning Commission Meeting at 6:45 P.M. Voice vote, Aye: Terry, Vogt, Patrizio, Barhorst, and Hudson. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

THOMAS D. HUDSON, MAYOR

PASSED: _____

ATTEST: _____
REBECCA J. COOL
CLERK OF COMMISSION