

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
BOURBON COUNTY JOINT PLANNING  
COMMISSION MEETING  
THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2017**

The Bourbon County Joint Planning Commission met at 6:30 p.m. on March 16, 2017 in the City Commission Chambers, Paris, Kentucky.

Chair Guy Bowman stated that he would like call the meeting to order: I would like to welcome everyone to the Paris Bourbon County Joint Planning Commission tonight and we will start out by calling roll. Before we get started, if there is anyone that wants to speak on any of these matters tonight, you have to sign up on the signup sheet. Now, if you are part of the application, you don't have to do that. So, just wanted to let people know. So, we will call roll.

Present for the meeting were Guy Bowman and members: Wendell Curtis, Wayne West, Robert Clark, John Gorrell, John Hutchison, Henry Lovell, Doug Witt, Dianna Faust, and Dennie Ferrell. Ralph Hensley and Kate Ott called in and their absences are excused. Staff members in attendance were Andrea Lacy and Micki Sosby.

Mr. Bowman: At this time we will consider the minutes. And please let us know if you have any corrections or questions. Hearing none, I'll entertain a motion to approve. Mr. Gorrell? (Made the motion to approve the minutes.) Ms. Faust? (Made the motion to second.) And we will vote by a show of hands. All those in favor of the minutes, as presented, raise your hands. Any opposed to the minutes? Any abstentions? One abstention. (Abstention was Wayne West.) The minutes passed as presented. At this time, we will sound the agenda. We are going to hear it in order. Well, we do have one correction on the agenda. Item No. 2. ALD 17-03: In your agenda, it's listed as the owner Silver Springs Farm. It's actually Donald R. and Wanda Thompson. So, just wanted to make that correction. So, the first item on the agenda is ALD 17-02, agricultural land division request submitted by Dove Run Farm, LLC for property located on Russell Cave Road in Bourbon County, Kentucky. Property owned by Dove Run Farm, LLC. It's a division of 5 acres.

Andrea Lacy: Okay, case number ALD 17-02 for Dove Run Farm on Russell Cave Road. The zoning for this parcel A-1 Agricultural. And the application date was February 20, 2017. The Applicant is requesting an agricultural land division of five acres which is shown as Parcel 1 on your plat from parent tract of 97.96 acres leaving 92.96 acres remaining, which is shown as Parcel 2 on your plat. The Technical Review Committee met on Monday, February 27 and recommended approval by the Commission. The road frontages for Parcel #2 is 910 feet, of road frontage for Parcel #1 377 feet and entrances shown are an existing entrance on Parcel #2 and a proposed entrance for Parcel #1. A legal notification was placed in the *Bourbon County Citizen* on March 8th. I will mention that the proposed entrance, this being along a state road, it's contingent upon the receipt of an encroachment permit. So, upon staff review, recommendation is to approve the agricultural land division as the Applicant has complied with the regulation of the Bourbon County Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations.

Approval is pending receipt the encroachment permit from the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet.

Mr. Bowman: Any questions regarding ALD 17-02?

Micki Sosby: I note they have been issued a state encroachment permit number, I've recorded that on their application.

Robert Clark: So, they do have one?

Ms. Sosby: They have given me the number. Yes.

Robert Clark: That was going to be the question I was going to ask. We seem to be having trouble with these encroachments. Before, they are never done before the meetings. I know that's not within your all's purview, is there something that we, what's happening?

Ms. Lacy: Well...

Robert Clark: I don't know that you even can even answer that.

Ms. Lacy: Yeah, on average, it's, it takes over a month for it to be processed. And we try our best to be, to be the conduit, you know between the applicant and the state, if they are not getting a response. So. It seems to ebb and flow how responsive the state is. Which is why, often times, we will process it contingent upon...

Mr. Clark: Well, I know at the last meeting they were all on the county, none of those were, I mean none of those had been approved by the county, either, so I just, you know...

Ms. Lacy: Yeah, that's a good point. So, that, the review by the County Road Supervisor, that is something that we can make a point to facilitate prior to review. Yeah.

Mr. Clark: I realize there is probably, maybe, there is a time restriction from the time they actually come in and by the time you get it to the county or state, and there may not be enough time to get it. I was just wondering why we seem to be running to so many that aren't approved before we meet.

Ms. Lacy: Yeah, yeah.

Mr. West: Does that hold up these people from you know, getting this plat signed and recorded?

Mr. Bowman: Not having that in?

Ms. Lacy: Oh, yes, it does. Because we won't...

Mr. West: You won't sign them?

Ms. Lacy: The chair won't sign off on it until ....

Mr. West: Makes it tough, don't it?

Ms. Lacy: Yeah.

Dennie Ferrell: But they have this one now?

Ms. Sosby: Yes, we do, we have the number.

Mr. Bowman: We are good to go. Any other questions? Hearing none, I'll entertain a motion to approve or deny ALD 17-02.

Wendell Curtis: I make a motion to approve.

Mr. Bowman: We have motion on the floor.

Dianna Faust: I second.

Mr. Bowman: Ms. Faust seconds. We will vote by roll call.

Commissioner Curtis	Yes	Commissioner Lovell	Yes
Commissioner West	Yes	Commissioner Witt	Yes
Commissioner Clark	Yes	Commissioner Faust	Yes
Commissioner Gorrell	Yes	Commissioner Ferrell	Yes
Commissioner Hutchison	Yes	Commissioner Bowman	Yes

Mr. Bowman: Passes as presented.

Mr. Bowman: Second item on the agenda is an agricultural land division ALD 17-03. It's an agricultural land division request submitted by Gary Thompson for property located on Bryan Station Road. It's in Paris, Bourbon County, Kentucky. The property is owned by Donald Thompson and Wanda Thompson. It is a division of 5.145 acres.

Ms. Lacy: Okay, so ALD 17-03 for Bryan Station and Houston Antioch Road, zoned A-1 Agricultural. The application date for this Agricultural Land Division is February 20, 2017. The Applicant is requesting an agricultural land division of 5.145 acres which is shown as Parcel 1 on the plat in front of you, from the parent tract of 104.769 acres leaving 99.624 acres remaining which is shown as Parcel 2 on your plats. So, you can see parcel 2 encompasses the land that's both above and below the parcel shown as Michael Thompson in the center. The Technical Review Committee met on February 27th and recommended for approval by the Planning Commission. The road frontage along Parcel #2, there's actually two segments of this land, so, 599 feet is one segment and 812 feet is the other. For the parcel to be divided, Parcel #1, the road frontage is 375.88 feet. There are existing entrances along both of the parcels, so no encroachment needed. And a legal ad was placed in the *Citizen* on March 8. So, my recommendation is for approval of this agricultural land division as the Applicant's complied with the regulations of the Bourbon County Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations.

Mr. Bowman: Any questions? I just have a comment, not specifically about this one. But, maybe in TRC, we ought to get them to lighten these line ups on these other pieces, so it's not a little, because these are just as heavy as the one that is actually being subdivided.

Ms. Lacy: Ah...right.

Mr. Bowman: Make it read a little easier.

Ms. Lacy: Yeah, yeah, yeah. Okay.

Mr. Bowman: It's good that they are putting references on there when those other ones were subdivided and recorded, so, just as a note of clarity, when you first glance on it, it's kind of hard to understand, which one is going on, except they do have the ones listed, as far as the recording dates and so forth. But, just a comment. All right. Any questions about this one? Mr. Gorrell?

Mr. Gorrell: I move for approval with proper findings.

Mr. Bowman: Okay.

Mr. Clark: I would like to second that, please.

Mr. Bowman: We have a motion and a second. We will vote by roll call.

Commissioner Ferrell	Yes	Commissioner Hutchison	Yes
Commissioner Faust	Yes	Commissioner Gorrell	Yes
Commissioner Witt	Yes	Commissioner Clark	Yes
Commissioner Bowman	Yes	Commissioner West	Yes
Commissioner Lovell	Yes	Commissioner Curtis	Yes

Mr. Bowman: Passes as presented.

Mr. Bowman: The third item on the agenda is an agricultural land division ALD17-04, an agricultural land division request submitted by Randell and Anne Dailey, property located on Gillispie Road, Paris, Bourbon County, Kentucky. Property owned by Randell and Anne Dailey, a division of 5.024 acres.

Ms. Lacy: Okay, case number ALD 17-04. For Gillispie Road, I hope I pronounced it right. The zoning of this parcel A-1 Agricultural. Application date February 20, 2017. The Applicant is requesting an agricultural land division of 5.024 acres which is shown on your plat here as Parcel #1, from the parent tract of 64.44 acres leaving 59.416 acres remaining, which is shown as Parcel 2 here on the plat. The Technical Review Committee met on February 27 and recommended for approval by the Planning Commission. The road frontage along Parcel #2 is, there's 2 segments to that parcel, 299.36 feet and then 349 feet. And Parcel #1 264.74 feet. On this plat, there are existing entrances along both parcels so no encroachment

needed. A legal ad was published in the *Bourbon County Citizen* on Wednesday, March 8. Staff recommendation is to approve the agricultural land division as the Applicants has complied with the regulations of the Bourbon County Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations.

Mr. Bowman: Okay. Any questions about this one? Hearing none, I'll entertain a motion to approve or deny ALD17-04.

Dennie Ferrell: I move we approve.

Mr. Curtis: I second.

Mr. Bowman: Okay, Mr. Curtis. We will vote by roll call.

Commissioner West	Yes	Commissioner Ferrell	Yes
Commissioner Witt	Yes	Commissioner Faust	Yes
Commissioner Lovell	Yes	Commissioner Bowman	Yes
Commissioner Hutchison	Yes	Commissioner Curtis	Yes
Commissioner Gorrell	Yes	Commissioner Clark	Yes

Mr. Bowman: Passes.

Mr. Bowman: The last item on the agenda is a Bylaw Text Amendment. Now, we are not going to vote on this tonight, we just want to discuss it in open forum. Andrea is going to present this, the bylaw amendments and we can discuss it, but we weren't planning on voting on this tonight. Just informational and we can think about it so we can have it for next month.

(Phone rings. Laughter, talk in background.)

Mr. Bowman: Alright, so, Andrea is going to present the proposals and we will go from there.

Ms. Lacy: Okay, so, this has been a good opportunity for us in the planning office to really take a deep breath and think about okay, now that the comprehensive plan has been approved, what do we want focus on both internally, you know as an organization, as the facilitation of the planning commission, and also for the implementation of the comprehensive plan itself. So, in the implementation section of the plan, it includes a lot of organizational changes, just really basic foundational things to be done. Such as, revising certain documents that we go by, such as the bylaws, our ordinances that we go by, making corrections to those, many of them simple corrections, and so what you see here in the bylaws that I have presented to you, I made quite a few of just language, grammatical corrections to it. But, I also am proposing some additional ways that, as a representative of the commission, we can have a more open and fluid communication with one and another. So, that means possibly meeting outside of the public hearing that is held each month. So, what I did was, I did some research on other jurisdictions, other planning commissions, and what they do. I attended a, what's called a planning commission workshop, monthly workshop, in Georgetown. So, the City of Georgetown each month, I mean, given the wealth of applications that they have, the amount of development that they have going on, they often

have workshops to allow the applicants to come in and for the commissioners to ask questions in a more informal setting. Now, that's not to say that it's a closed session, this is still something that is advertised in the paper, and the public can attend. However, it, like I said, it's a more informal setting for you all to ask, for the commissioners to ask questions about specific applications, or whatever is on the docket for that month. So, with that said, you know the comprehensive plan is such a massive document and includes so many elements that do need more explanation, we need to get to know those different aspects of the plan. And as I bring forward certain implementation items, such as making text amendments to our ordinances, I want to make sure that what is being brought forth to you all, that you have a clear understanding of what is being proposed, and one of the ways in which I am proposing to do that is through holding optional monthly workshops. So, that's one idea I'm throwing, I want to throw out there into the planning commission universe and see what you all think about it. I personal, I mean professionally, I think it would really help, substantially. So. That's my pitch for one aspect of the bylaws. Now, I can keep going, but we can start there if you all want to discuss the workshop concept or even if you have other ideas of how we can go about this, I'm open to, you know, what would work well for you all. We could do video meetings each month, you know, I, we can do a whole slew of different things.

Mr. Bowman: I would like to discuss that one. Let me do them one at a time so we understand those. So, you went to one in Scott County. Understanding that there is no voting on those, just informational workshops.

Ms. Lacy: Correct.

Mr. Bowman: How does that work with quorum issues? Is that at all, is that a problem, at all with that?

Marty Goins: I would assume the workshop without, would be more like a technical review committee meeting, so as long as there is no voting....

Mr. Bowman: As long as there is no voting....

Mr. Goins: As long as there is an exchange of information back and forth between the parties, in which there, any one is welcome as far as the commissioner meetings, commissioners can come to the technical review committee meetings if they so choose, as well.

Mr. Bowman: Would that take the place of that, or would that be in addition to, sounds like it's in addition to.

Mr. Goins: Sounds like in addition to, is that correct?

Ms. Lacy: Yes. I, I envision the two happening separately. One of the ways that, I ... one of the reasons why is because, our technical review committee meeting, I mean historically, but that is only in reference to the 10 months I've been here, has been a couple of commissioners and our staff attorney. And as needed, I will invite in different staff members to join. So, if

we have a development application that has substantial storm water drainage issues, I'll ask wastewater treatment to come in. And other, other staff members. But, and I don't mean to, you know, not make it an open session to commissioners, however, it's a good opportunity for the staff members to really get together and dig into the application in great detail. So. But, I believe Georgetown advertises their workshops, so even if they have a quorum, whether they have a quorum or not.

Mr. Bowman: I don't think it would matter, if you don't vote.

Mr. Goins: If you don't vote.

Mr. Bowman: There's no action taken. That's where you get into issues.

Mr. Clark: If it's advertised and open to the public, also. Sunshine law. So, we're good there.

Mr. Bowman: We like sunshine.

Mr. Clark: Yeah, boy. It's good for your teeth.

(Laughter)

Mr. Bowman: So, anyone have any comments? Thumbs up? Thumbs down? Good idea?

Mr. Clark: I think it's a pretty good idea.

Mr. Bowman: Want to explore it a little further?

Mr. Clark: I think it's a pretty good idea, I don't, you know, I think, I don't know, I think it would be good like on meetings that you have questions, or if there's something you want to discuss or kind of, you may not want, you wouldn't have to come to every meeting. Right? I mean...

Ms. Lacy: Correct. Yeah. And if, I mean if you get your packet and it's a no-brainer to you, you know, you've reviewed it and don't have questions, it would totally be optional.

Mr. Clark: Which I think would be good. If something came up that you were interested in, or had questions.

Ms. Lacy: I agree.

Mr. Bowman: It may make the actual Planning Commission meeting go a little smoother that you are already kind of clear coming in to that, what's going on.

Ms. Lacy: And I, you know, I always says come see me if you have questions about the applications and there are a few of you who are usual suspects in the office. And that's great.

But, you know, I think it would be, it would make it for more efficient use of time to have a designated time for, to answer many of what, are often the same questions, all at once.

Mr. Bowman: So, think about that one. And like I said, we are not going to vote on this one tonight, just something, the ideas that we've... Think we might have a proposal by next month, as far as more, a little more defined?

Ms. Lacy: Yeah. In there I, I put a proposed date, day of the week and time, that we would have those meetings, but what I could do, as well is put together more specifics, like a description about what the purpose of having the workshop is about, the mode of advertisement that we, you know, we would go about, so, so that we have a clear understanding of what the purpose of it is. So, on page 7, is shown the Monday of the meeting, of the Planning Commission Meeting at 4:30, so at that point you would have already received your packets, both via email and in the mail, as well. So, you could bring them in with you and we could prep for the meeting. So, so that's the first one, so you can stew on the workshop idea. The other, so there are some other sort of just essential items that I haven't been employing just yet, but I would like to start bringing to you all. The encumbrance reports that show our monthly expenditures. It's a good opportunity to start that because I'm getting ready to prep our 17-18 budget for the upcoming year. So, you can expect at the next Planning Commission Meeting, I'll, you know go through the budget, in detail, and some of the work plan items that we would like to get accomplished in the next year. So, approval of monthly expenditures, I've added this in here on Page 3 as something that would be added to our monthly agenda and that you all would have and review and vote on in advance to each meeting. So. Are there any questions about that?

Wayne West: What would be the advantages of having a treasurer? Okay. Or secretary, either one, when you've got Micki. Okay. It shows in here you could have one. Okay. What would be the advantages or disadvantages? There's no advantage to it, is there?

Ms. Lacy: I guess to have another level of just, fact checker, for lack of better words.

Mr. West: I just wondered, because, you know, that's not something all of us get to see all the time.

Mr. Bowman: Well, typically, it doesn't flow through our office. So, we're, yeah.... It typically flows through Fiscal Court. So, we typically don't see that.

Mr. Lacy: And in your time, here, or many of you that have been here for several years, has the Planning Commission had a treasurer?

Mr. Clark: No.

Mr. West: No.

Mr. Bowman: No, we don't see that. Those expenditures coming through like that.



Ms. Lacy: Okay.

Mr. Bowman: That's one of the questions I had, I guess. Approval of monthly expenditures. If there's an expenditure we didn't approve, what would happen with that? Because, typically, that just goes through Fiscal Court and we don't see it. We should do that. We should have the approval.

Ms. Lacy: Yeah. I mean, in.....

Mr. Bowman: The responsibility. From a responsible standpoint, we should be looking at the monthly expenditures and approving them, because that helps us build our budget for the next year. It would also help us improve our budget and save the county money, if we see certain trends, certain ways, but currently we don't do it that way. So.

Ms. Lacy: Can we ... go ahead.

Dennie Ferrell: This review thing. We're talking about meeting another night?

Mr. Bowman: On this?

Mr. Ferrell: No, on the review. Like if we do something before, you know like...

Mr. Bowman: Oh, the workshop?

Mr. Ferrell: How long were we talking? An hour or something?

Ms. Lacy: Only as long as the discussion, you know, would take.

Mr. Ferrell: We couldn't do it an hour before the meeting or nothing that night? Or like tonight, an hour before? We just wouldn't have another meeting to go to. You know, that's what I'm saying.

Ms. Lacy: Well, from my standpoint as staff, it would give me an opportunity to prep, if there are some outstanding questions, it would give me an opportunity to try and resolve, you know certain issues before the hearing itself.

John Hutchison: Wouldn't that benefit the applicant? I mean, if they have a, if they, because a lot of time, you know, even after going through technical review, and it gets here, some of the other staff members might have an issue that they have to come back to us and bring us some other sort of, I mean that's kind of a stall, I'm thinking, if, soon as we got, you know, like an applicant, if there's questions, why couldn't we have that meeting then, because, like a big development or something. And, you know, like something special so we could all just bat it around, that away these people could get in, get out.

Mr. Bowman: Well, that's, that's part of it, too. Yeah, because you could get, say, this is talking about the meeting on Monday, our meeting, this meeting is on Thursday, if on Monday night

somebody came up and wanted to see drainage calculations that we didn't have or something.

Mr. Hutchison: Would that give them enough time, do you think?

Mr. Bowman: That would, well, if the engineer had them available. Yeah, I mean, it, they could have that. So, I mean, it's maybe something they could just bring to that Thursday meeting.

Mr. Hutchison: Right.

Mr. Bowman: And then that would just clear that off instead of saying we're going to table it until you get us those calculations, then wait another month.

Mr. Hutchison: Yeah, that would look better for us a body, I think. Because, I mean, you know, when you drag out something, like, if there's development going on, that word gets around. That this county, you better have, because, I mean, they just drag you through the process. If we could kind of speed up that.

Ms. Lacy: Yeah.

Mr. Bowman: I'm for that.

Mr. Hutchison: You know, I just think it would be beneficial to us, as a body. To do that.

Ms. Lacy: Yeah.

Mr. Bowman: Right.

Mr. Clark: But you said that it was informal, too. So, if we had a question, we came in, okay, we were satisfied, we could leave, I mean, we don't have to stay here for the whole meeting. Correct?

Ms. Lacy: Correct.

Mr. Clark: So it could just be, just in and out. And if you don't have, so, like you say, if you don't really see anything that affects you, you really don't have to come. Correct?

Ms. Lacy: Correct. The way I experienced it in Georgetown was, it was very fluid. There, the meeting had started, I mean, this is Georgetown. Right? So, they had, they had several development applications that they were dealing with, but you had the applicants standing out in the hallway, kind of waiting for their turn. And then, even commissioners that were just, they were just, you know, arriving, and they didn't take roll call, they, you know, you just, they just got there and joined the group without much, if any, interruption. So.

Mr. Bowman: Did they take public comment or question or anything? Or just strictly commission members? Just for informational for the public, just to listen to?

Ms. Lacy: That's a good question. I.... I didn't experience that when I was there, but .... I also haven't seen, you know, exactly what the protocol is, so.

Mr. West: That might get lengthy if you invite the public in at the same time.

Ms. Lacy: Yeah.

Mr. Bowman: I'm thinking it would just be basically an informational, they could listen to that, and if they, that might prompt questions from the public to come back on Thursday to ask questions or they might be satisfied that night and not show up. But, I would think you would not want to do that that night or during that meeting, just, that would just be informational for the public, and then that Thursday they could make those questions. That's just my opinion.

Ms. Lacy: I agree. I agree. Okay. So, otherwise there are three more things. Okay, I'll go through two of them fairly quickly. Conflict of interest. There's a new, there's section here on conflict of interest. This is just, this is another foundational thing that you see in a lot of bylaws, personnel document policies, and so the conflict of interest section, if you haven't already, just read through it and let me know if you have any questions. The other is just a section on ethics. And the American Planning Association is one of the overarching, just professional associations that, you know, creates a lot of good guidance for planning commissions for certified planners, anyone who works in the development field. I've included these ethics standards in here, so read through those, too, and let me know if you have any questions. These are pretty much baseline standards that you see. And lastly, and this might require a little more discussion, I added in a section on an executive committee. And I am just wondering, first of all I want to get the, from your historic knowledge, has there ever been an executive committee?

Unidentified: No, not while I've been here.

Mr. Bowman: Not a formal one. I mean, we've had, sort of like the comp plan task force, things like that, that have been put together for a specific task, but not an executive committee.

Mr. Clark: I think, I think years ago, there was. When I first started, there was, there was some kind of small-like executive committee. That was a long time ago.

Ms. Lacy: Well, I'll share with you the way things work, currently. I oftentimes, when I have real specific questions, I will get in touch with the chair. So, I will get in touch with Guy. Bobby and I, at times when the, you know, when Guy can't make it, and we have specific items we need to discuss, I'll get in touch with Bobby. But, that's pretty much the flow in which I work, currently, when I have things that I need pretty quick response to. That's how I do it.

So, the question is, is this mode of, you know, of communication, is this okay for you all or have you all felt like, in the past, things could be improved.

Mr. West: I think it has improved in the last 7 years. It's improved a lot. Compared to what it was 10 years ago.

Ms. Lacy: How long have you been on Planning Commission?

Mr. West: I don't know. I can't remember.

Ms. Lacy: Oh.

(Laughter)

Mr. West: I can tell you, it used to be very difficult. It's a lot easier now than it used to be.

Ms. Lacy: So, I'm gathering that, I mean, I feel comfortable with the way things have been working, currently. I think, you know, if we stew on that idea, the executive committee concept, but, you know, for now the major thing that I think would be of most benefit to us is having a workshop. Having a monthly workshop. So.

Mr. Bowman: Yeah, and you know, that's, that's part of in line with what we've been trying to do, as well, with, we try to facilitate growth. As others are promoting growth, like in EDA and Chamber, as, like business unit development people, there going out and they are selling the county. Well, we have to facilitate those sales. So, if a developer comes in, we have to be ready to make that a smooth process. I mean, they still have to comply with all the ordinances, of course, but we need to make that a smooth process so people, when they come in, we're not, they're not being held up a month for one piece of paper kind of thing, that it's still something that hangs us up from an approval standpoint. But, we could make that process smoother and a little faster, more fluid, open to the public, you know, transparent. That's our goal in doing all this. So, that's still in line with that, that theme we're continuing to try to improve on. So. That's my take on it.

Ms. Lacy: So, if you all have any questions about the bylaws, get in touch with me. We have already sat down with Doug and talked through a few edits that we may make to it. And otherwise, couple of other things that I just want to mention, briefly. We sent an email out earlier today with....

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Ms. Lacy: ... facilitating, and then there's an American Planning Association conference that's in May. Which would be a really great event to see you all at. I actually will be presenting at it. So.

John Gorrell: Where is that located?

Ms. Lacy: It's at Lake Cumberland. Yeah.

Mr. Gorrell: Oh.

#### BACKGROUND TALK AND LAUGHTER

Mr. Bowman: Sounds like a vacation to me.

Mr. West: Do we have all our members; do we have everybody now appointed? We don't have anybody that's, is everybody being, do we have 12?

Mr. Bowman: We are supposed to have 14.

Mr. West: 14? How many we got? Are we still short one?

Mr. Bowman: We have 13. Yeah.

Mr. West: That's what I thought.

Mr. Bowman: The city appointment. There's a city appointment that's still open.

Mr. West: Okay.

Mr. Clark: If you do the video thing, that's okay?

Ms. Lacy: Oh, yeah. So, the other option that we're, you know we've have been trying to get you all engaged in is, you can watch lectures. They're about an hour and a half long. If you watch them, get in touch with us and we'll have you sign a form, you can scan it and send it to us or you can come in and sign it in our office. If you don't have the ability to watch it at home, you can come in here and watch it on our tablets. So, there are several options. Micki sent you a bunch of links to some videos so, certainly, self-reporting is an option, too. So, feel free to do that. And that's about it, from me. We are starting to put our packets online, too, so if you are ever, like I can't find that email, I lost the mail that was sent to me, go to our website, and the packet materials are going to be on there from now on. So, that's about it from me.

Mr. Bowman: Okay. Anyone have any questions, so far? Okay. When's the next TRC?

Ms. Lacy: Well, the next TRC is, I think it is March 27<sup>th</sup>. The filing deadline is next Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup>. So.

Mr. West: Andrea, just tell me why you think we would need an executive. What. Give me some pluses for that. Tell me what it would be for. What would be really need it for?

Ms. Lacy: Well, oftentimes, as I'm going throughout my workdays, and specifically coming up with, you know, workplan items and tasks that I'm focusing in on, I often, you know, might

need to reach out to Guy to ask him questions about that, and, you know, I guess the idea is that it would extend beyond just one person and be a couple of people that, you know, could provide input, as well. So, for staff direction, it would help, it's not crucial, I mean I report to a lot of different bodies, including the planning commission, you know, primarily. But, that's the idea behind it. If there are decisions that need to be made promptly, the executive committee would, you know, be able to, either meet and discuss certain issues outside the commission meeting.

Mr. West: Before the meeting, before the Planning and Zoning Meeting?

Ms. Lacy: Yeah.

Mr. West: Okay.

Ms. Lacy: But, then you also have to keep in mind that in the comprehensive plan, you know, proposed is to create several workgroups that revolve around different plan elements. So, so with that said, I mean, I think we have, you all, I'll be asking many of you to be engaged in those workgroups. So, that leads me to think the executive committee might just be one more thing, you know, beyond what we're needing, currently.

Mr. Bowman: You want to initiate the thing about UC?

Ms. Lacy: Oh, yeah. Okay. I'm sorry, you all, that we are staying so long. So, a couple of weeks ago, Guy and I met with 2 professors from the University of Cincinnati. And, they have a sponsored studio course that their graduate students take to get their degree in urban planning and landscape architecture, as well. So, there's an opportunity for a project to be focused on both the cities within Paris, within Bourbon County, and the incorporated parts of the County and I met these professors at a networking event. They just completed a fairly lengthy project for the City of Georgetown and that's how I got extremely interested in it. What they focus on are inventorying different things within the community. So, land use is one thing, so getting more specific in to different land uses in the community. Walkability within the, you know, urban fabric of Paris, and Millersburg and North Middletown. They can also look at parks and recreation. Trails planning. And I would like to share the report that the City of Georgetown received with you all so you can get an idea of what the work product could be. Now, we're a much different community from Georgetown. So. But they inventory the same things. And they make both design recommendations and ordinance recommendations, too, of ways we could improve things. So, I think it would be a huge benefit to us as a community. It's not free, there is a cost associated with it. However, it's pocket change compared to what a private consultant would charge. So, Guy and I sat down with these professors and I had a really good impression of them. They came to town, and it was an introductory meeting where they shared their work product with us and we really talked about things that we need here, and where we want to get to as a community, and with the comprehensive plan, and then they shared with us, you know, some of their ideas. So.

Mr. Bowman: That's one of the things, again, that, in line with what we discussed about our comprehensive plan, about we're not stopping with this document here. We're going to start engaging people like that, outside influence to come in and really look at our county with fresh eyes and look at possibilities. I also talked with a professor at Transy who is highly involved in, in connecting communities with bike trails and pedestrian access and things like that. So, there is a lot of regional activity going on in this area, so this is, this is keeping with what we said we were going to do. This is what we are doing. These professors that came in, they were very engaged, they were extremely excited about what they saw here, as a jewel in the rough kind of thing, because we are still small enough, that it's still shapeable to where we could be an extremely attractive community and a comfortable place to live, a place where people want to come live and work and just interact here and invest their lives here. And so, that's why we are trying, that's our goal. So, that's just keeping with that, with the momentum we've got on this comprehensive plan. This, we're not stopping at the book. This book is a stepping stone to bigger and better things. So. Anyway. I was excited about it. They were extremely interested in what we were doing, and... were they going to give you a proposal or come back with some kind of?

Ms. Lacy: Yeah, I requested a scope of work from them to get an idea of, you know, what it would entail. How many facilitated meetings we could expect. So, I'm waiting on that.

Mr. Bowman: This is going to involve extensively getting the community involved. And figuring out what Bourbon County wants. So, that's, it's going to be an exciting few years. The goal is to have it completed by 2020 so we will have another comprehensive plan update by 2020. Instead of 5 years from now, we're trying to hit that even year, even mark there. So. It will take a little time, but we'll get there. Any questions? Comments?

Mr. Clark: Sounds good.

Mr. Bowman: A lot coming up. So, TRC is March 27<sup>th</sup>. And Planning and Zoning meeting is April 20<sup>th</sup>. So, we'll talk a little bit more on the bylaws coming up then, to what we just presented. Kind of think about that through the month. And, if you have any comments, I will, we will work on something this next month and actually have a draft to vote next month. Do we want to do that? Or, you know, we'll actually, with the intention of voting on it, if we don't want to change them next month we still have more development, we don't have to vote them through, but we want to continue to work on that. Okay? Anything else? Alright. Move for an adjournment.

Mr. Gorrell: I so move.

Mr. Curtis: Second.

(Motion passed)

Mr. Bowman: Appreciate you all being here.

Ms. Lacy: Thank you.

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