

WHITEWATER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
RESIDENT OUTREACH SUBCOMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
August 10, 2023

Call to Order at 9:00 a.m.

Roll Call: DeYoung (Chair), Peltonen, Mielnik, Beam, McElwee

Absent: Steelman

Also in attendance: Recording Secretary MacLean via Zoom and Barry Hicks of LIAA in person

Set / Adjust Agenda: Set

Declaration of Conflict of Interest: None

Public Comment: None

Special Meeting Business:

1. Review survey information.

Randy noted that the LIAA proposal has been accepted by the township board.

Preliminary report from Networks Northwest is incomplete and has format errors that need to be addressed.

Recommend to the Planning Commission to accept the report and plan to use the provided spreadsheet format to provide additional report tabulation options using the “sort by” feature in Excel.

2. Work shop planning: Discussion of location, timing, price and accommodations available. The Samels Farm does not have heat or indoor plumbing (toilet). Turtle Creek has conference rooms with PA system available would be \$400 plus an additional amount if we wanted refreshments. Woodland Creek School holds approximately 160 people. Will inquire at Mill Creek again.

Introduce Barry Hicks of LIAA (bhicks@liaa.org): The LIAA contract includes plans for two in person workshops / public input sessions. One would be a broad overview that will lead to narrowing it down to more specific type topics.

Posters, supplies and printing are included in the contract.

LIAA’s main point of contact will be Planner Mielnik.

Shoot for a date of September 28, 2 – 7 p.m. Will have to work about the school in session hours.

Hicks notes that the current Master Plan is quite general, needs definitions.

Will schedule the second workshop mid to late October.

First workshop will have 4-6 stations to be manned by PC, ROS and LIAA members. Hicks will provide some general ideas for the next ROS meeting by reviewing the survey results’ common themes.

Will plan to do similar advertising as was done with the survey, email, flyers, road signs, radio, newspaper, township park and school packet information with students.

3. Resources levels needed to support the ROS group. Some printing will to be done. Treasurer email list can be used to spread the word via a couple email blasts.
4. Any related topic that the subcommittee wishes to discuss
6. Schedule next meeting date/time Thursday, August 24, 2023, 9 a.m.

Next Regular Meeting September 6, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

Next ROS meeting: Thursday, August 24, 2023, 9 a.m.

Public Comment: None.

Committee discussion: DeYoung will gather info from this meeting to present to the PC at the special meeting scheduled for August 16.

Adjournment: 10:33 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Lois MacLean,
Recording Secretary