

LAPAC Meeting Minutes

September 19, 2018

Members Present: Kathleen Hollerbach, David Rose, Mandy Kotzman, John Schmid, Alison Schonhoff, Ed Ott, Ed Stoner.

Apologies: Noah Dalton, Laurie Evans, Cordelia Stone

Larimer County Planning Staff Members Present : Matt Lafferty

Meeting Called to Order: Ed Stoner (Chair) called meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

Meeting Minutes: June 19, 2018 had not be distributed, so were not approved.

Motion:

1. To enter Exectutive session with County Attourney pursuant to 24-6-402(4)(a) for the purpose of receiving legal advice on actual and perceived conflicts of interest. Moved by Kathleen, seconded by Alison. Unanimous approval.
2. To leave Executive session. Moved by Kathleen, seconded by Alison. Moved by Kathleen, seconded by Alison. Unanimous approval.

Communication Items:

LAPAC Member Communication Items:

No items.

County Communication Items:

No items

Comprehensive Plan Presentation

Matt Lafferty spoke to a presentation (see handout). Some highlights included:

- History of County Master Planning starting in 1865 with Col. Collins
- Comprehensive plan phases:
 - o 1. Mountain Resilience Plan (2017). Not a Land Use Plan per se, identifies 8 different corridors, built a toolbox for these corridors to use, adopted unanimously last year by the BCC.
 - o 2. Front Range Communities (2018-). Expected to be adopted June/July 2019.
- Addressed issues of raising funds for planning. Funds came with conditions to address Community, Economy, Health/Social, Housing, Infrastructure, Watersheds/Natural resources.
- This is a policy document only, not regulation. “Land use code is designed to implement the direction of policy” (8:12 pm). “Our objective is to make sure the code is put into place”
- In 2018, the Foundation process took place between January and June, the Vision process is currently underway (July-October) and the Recommendation process should take place between November and July of next year. October is National Planning Month.
- The processes involve Monthly BCC and PC updates, quarterly BCC/PC study sessions, rural stakeholder committee meetings and intergovernmental partner committee meetings.
- Once the new comprehensive plan is approved, it is likely that the Land Use Code will be reviewed/audited (subject to available funds) to reflect the intent of the new plan.
- A request for engagement with the community was issued – “Spread the Word”.
- Workshops are planned for October.
- See LarimerCompPlan.com

Some additional discussion followed.

Matt pointed out that Larimer County is expected to add 150,000 residents by 2050, and that Northern Colorado Water doesn't have sufficient water to supply this growth. He asserted that developable land is in very limited supply, in part owing to the incapacity or unavailability of sewer and or water. A water tap now costs \$50,000.

Problems faced by the Paddler's Pub in relation to sewer access were discussed. Matt stated that when an acceptable solution was tendered (such as a forced main, which would only supply the PP), the County would do all it could to assist.

Personal appearances:

John Gross had 2 questions:

1. Seeking clarification as to whether LAPAC members are supposed to represent what they perceive are the community's values/beliefs/wants, or their own? Answer: Basically their own, however, they are expected to determine the consistency of proposals with the LaPorte Area Plan.
2. Is LAPAC reactionary or Proactive in its dealings with the Commissioners/Planning Department? Answer: Fundamentally reactionary. Citizens can direct a new issue to the BCC, who can refer it to LAPAC if they want. Similarly, LAPAC can suggest an item to the BCC, but the BCC has no obligation to consider an issue from LAPAC.

Action Items:

Election of officers:

Nominations/volunteers:

Chair: David Rose – nominated by Ed Stoner, seconded by Kathleen Hollerbach
Vice Chair: Kathleen Hollerbach – nominated by Ed Stoner, seconded by David Rose
Secretary: Noah Dalton – nominated by Ed Stoner, seconded by David Rose

Motion by Ed Ott to elect these individuals.

Second by John Schmid

Vote: all in favor. Motion passes.

Meeting adjourned 8:55 p.m.