

Town of Grant-Valkaria
Local Planning Agency Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 17, 2008 at 7:00 P.M.
Town Hall Building, 5120 Highway U.S.1, Grant Valkaria, FL 32949

The meeting of the Town of Grant-Valkaria, Planning and Zoning Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice Chairperson John Mafera followed by the Pledge, and roll call to the Board Members, with the following present:

Chairperson Lisette Kolar	Sue Krueger, Acting Town Manager
Vice Chairperson John Mafera	Linda Munroe, Assistant to the Clerk
Board Member Denni Burr	Todd Peetz, Town Planner
Board Member Christine King	
Board Member Regina Mahaney	
Board Member Allen Webb	
Board Member Don Whitehouse	
Board Member Dan Robino, Alternate 1	
Board Member Bob Thiem, Alternate 2	

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO AGENDA

Chairperson Kolar told the Board that Mr. David Roach was present from F.I.N.D. (Florida Inland Navigational District) to speak to them. She also told the Board that she wanted to share her comments about some of the Elements of the Comprehensive Plan that she was not present for the discussions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board Member Thiem pointed out that Matt Brock was not in attendance at the meeting on March 10, 2008. Moved by Board Member Whitehouse, seconded by Board Member Mahaney to approve the minutes of March 10, 2008 as amended. Board Member Burr pointed out that the motion made at the bottom of page 1 continued onto the top of page 2 did not state who seconded the motion; it was her. Motion carried unanimously.

David Roach, Executive Director of F.I.N.D., gave the Board some background information on his organization and told them they are the State sponsor of the 400 mile navigational channel of the Intercoastal Waterway. Their national headquarters are located in Jupiter, Florida. They provide all the land for Federal government use as dredge spoils sites. Mr. Roach gave the Board Members maps to show where the dredging operations are in the County; specifically where the one is to be built in Grant-Valkaria. He was here to let the Town know about the dredge operation that will be operating in Grant-Valkaria in a few years and that the dredge materials will be recycled back to the Florida beaches and rivers. The land purchased in the Town is in the Valkaria area. It is called BV24 Containment Area. They purchased 120 acres of land as well as an easement which will run to and from the river underneath the land/road. The dredging is treated like an underwater vacuum cleaner that dredges the sediment out and returns the water back to the river. They have various parts of the group responsible for specific sites such as environmental/conservation. This is part of the Conservation Element of the Comprehensive Element.

Chairperson Kolar wanted to discuss her comments from the Elements that she was not able to attend to discuss. She was primarily concerned with what the Town shall/will do and wanted

to know where low-income housing will be. Board Member Burr pointed out that the Board is waiting for data analysis to clarify some of her concerns. Todd Peetz, Town Planner from Miller Legg told Chairperson Kolar that DCA looks at what the Town will have available; census data is used for this. Chairperson Kolar asked if the Town can limit density in the Coastal Management because of the dangers of hurricanes; primarily in the U.S. 1 area. He said that hurricane evacuation is of concern to the entire Town; specifically Highway U.S. 1. Todd said that the coastal hazard has been raised to 3 feet.

Continuation of General Overview of the Goals, Objectives and Policies

Planner Todd Peetz recommended striking the administrative policies of this element and adding them into the Land Development Regulations. The Board started discussing the Future Land Use Element and took a 10 minute break at 9:00 p.m. Overall the entire Comprehensive Plan is being revised with all the changes the Board suggested/recommended and will be brought to them at the April 21st meeting for discussion on the April 28th meeting of the LPA. Some of the outcome of this discussion on March 17 was to merge the two (2) Commercial areas into one (1) and call it Village Commercial. Moved by Board Member Whitehouse, seconded by Board Member King to table the discussion of the G.O.P.s until the next scheduled meeting of March 24. Motion carried unanimously. Vice Chairperson Mafera told the Board that he is unable to attend on March 24th. Planner Todd Peetz said he would have the data analysis on March 31st.

Comprehensive Plan Map Review on U.S. 1 Corridor – continuation of discussion

Moved by Vice Chairperson Mafera, seconded by Board Member Burr to table this discussion until the LPA meeting on March 31st when Todd Peetz has the revised information for them. Motion carried unanimously.

Elect 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th in line as Acting Chairperson in case of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson's absence.

Moved by Board Member Burr, seconded by Board Member King to appoint Board Member Whitehouse as the 3rd Chair. Motion carried unanimously. Moved by Board Member King, seconded by Board Member Whitehouse is appoint Board Member Webb as the 4th Chair. Motion carried unanimously. Moved by Board Member Whitehouse, seconded by Board Member Mahaney to appoint Board Member Burr as the 5th Chair. Motion carried unanimously. Moved by Board Member King, seconded by Vice Chairperson Mafera to appoint Board Member Mahaney as the 6th Chair. Motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting dates and time are March 24th; P & Z Board meeting at 6:30 p.m. and LPA meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the continued discussion of the G.O.P.'s

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairperson Kolar mentioned that there were 2 representatives of the E.E.L.'s program at the meeting and they are waiting to discuss the Conservation Element with the Town. Chris O'Hara of E.E.L.'s stated that they are there to assist the Town with any questions or concerns they

have about the conservation areas of the Town. He gave Board Member Webb a copy of a conservation map for him to review (along with Alternate Board Member Robino) to come back to the Board and explain the areas of main concern. Mr. O'Hara will send another map to Assistant to the Clerk, Linda Munroe, for Mr. Robino to look at.

Moved by Board Member King, seconded by Vice Chairperson Mafera to adjourn at 10:45 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

(signature on file)

Lisette Kolar, Chairperson

ATTEST:

(signature on file)

Linda Munroe, Assistant to the Clerk