

Minutes
Hospital and Neighborhood Committee Meeting
Tuesday, May 10, 2011

In a regular session, Tuesday, May 10, 2011 at 7:05 p.m. in the Public Service Building, 900 S. Marshall, Marshall, MI, the Hospital and Neighborhood Committee Meeting was called to order by Chairman Ken Jendryka.

Members Present: Rob Covert, Dave Deppe, Jim Pardoe, Nick Metzger, Holly Harnden, Ginger Williams, Dave Ryan, Mark O'Connell and Chairman Ken Jendryka.

Members Absent: None

Chairman Jendryka stated that April's meeting was cancelled due to reports not being ready to present.

MOTION by Metzger, supported by O'Connell, to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2011 regular meeting.

Committee members discussed March's Hospital Overlay District vote; Harnden and Deppe stated they were not in favor of the Hospital Overlay District as it was presented. Committee members decided to have a roll-call vote on all future motions.

On a roll-call vote-ayes: Covert, Ryan, Deppe, Pardoe, Metzger, Harnden, Williams, O'Connell and Jendryka; nays-none.

Motion carried.

Questions from the audience regarding the two committee members who are no longer on the committee were discussed. Chairman Jendryka stated he did not receive any formal resignations from the two members but was personally informed. He stated that one of the committee members announced his resignation at a City Council meeting. Committee members discussed the replacement of the two members and Chairman Jendryka stated that the Mayor appointed the members of this committee and it will be up to the Mayor if they will be replaced. Chairman Jendryka stated any concerns or questions about appointing new committee members need to be taken up with the Mayor.

Subcommittee report on Hospital Campus Overlay District Ordinance development

Chairman Jendryka went over the progress of the last meeting the subcommittee had. He stated that the subcommittee had agreed to allow Mr. Banfield to withdraw from the subcommittee because of his conflicts due to being the chairman of the planning commission. It was then decided by the subcommittee to bring in Rod Arroyo from Birchler/Arroyo, who has the expertise on Overlay Districts and can guide the committee on boundaries and with the regulations of the ordinance. Robb McKay, Michigan Preservation Department, will be at the next subcommittee meeting answering questions regarding the preservation of some of the historic homes in the neighborhoods.

Chairman Jendryka said this committee should have a rough draft of the ordinance by June 20, 2011 meeting.

Marshall/Oaklawn Hospital Parking System Study presentation

Jeffrey Colvin, AICP, from Walker Parking Consultants, discussed and provided three scenarios for parking solutions around the hospital. Mr. Colvin's presentation included possible current solutions, 4 year solutions and 20 year solutions. The presentation can be found at www.cityofmarshall.com under Hospital & Neighborhood Committee.

Initiation of Marshall Traffic Impact Study

Chairman Jendryka stated that a traffic impact study will be performed by URS Corporation over the next few days. URS have installed cameras around the streets surrounding the hospital to gather the impact on the traffic flow and possible future impacts if a specific road is closed as part of the future parking needs of the hospital.

Committee Member Covert discussed the different studies being performed to allow this committee to try and have all concerns and questions answered so the committee can make more informative decisions. He stated that so far the hospital will be paying approximately \$225,000.00 on studies.

Committee members discussed the fact that no one knows what the future will bring and there is a possibility that the hospital will not be able to acquire any more properties. If that were to happen then only a few of the scenarios that Mr. Colvin presented would be possible. The committee also discussed the option of satellite parking.

Audience Participation/Question

Jerry Baremore asked if the presentation by Mr. Colvin would be on the city's website. Chairman Jendryka stated it would be.

Bruce Smith stated that the 4 year plans are not that far in the future. He also stated that the 20 year plans may be needed sooner than 20 years. Nobody knows what the future will bring to the city or the hospital.

Kathy Galloway asked about the number of parking spaces used by the doctors at the Wright Medical building. Is it possible to have a separate parking area for them? She asked what the number of spaces are currently used for doctors. Mr. Colvin stated that there is currently no parking designated for doctors.

Colleen Koppenhaver stated that the doctors own their offices in the Wright Medical Building. She stated she is not sure how it would go over to ask them to have designated parking.

Shawn Hicks asked if any more houses need to be moved or tore down to allow for parking or the construction of a new building, would the costs be solely on the hospital? The committee stated yes, the hospital would need to own the properties before the houses could be moved or torn down.

Janet Ostrum asked if the overall economic costs, like taxes and loss of revenue, were calculated into the costs for each parking space. She wanted to know if it is possible to have an impact study on economic costs, either gains or losses for non-hospital owned properties. Tom Tarkiewicz, City Manager, stated he would look into this and report back to the committee.

Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Submitted by:

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