

Livonia Township
Workshop Meeting
January 10, 2011

On Monday January 10, 2011 the Livonia Board of Supervisors met in a Workshop Meeting at the Livonia Town Hall, 11162 265th Avenue in Livonia Township.

Present: Supervisors Doebler, Hass, Manthei, Sherper and Clerk/Treasurer Spencer; Supervisor Hewitt absent. Those present from Sherburne County: Commissioner Rachel Leonard, Nancy Riddle, Zoning Administrator and Jon Sevald, County Planner. Chuck Marohn with Community Growth Institute was also present.

Chairman Sherper called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed all for discussion of the Township/County Land Use Plan followed by discussion with Chuck Marohn regarding next steps for the Township Comprehensive Plan.

Sevald displayed a draft of Livonia Township's Land Use Map and provided the November 19, 2010 letter outlining County comments regarding the revised draft of the Livonia Township Comp Plan dated October 2010. In the letter he stated the Township's draft plan has been incorporated into the County's plan as much as possible. The County's Comp Plan must include a future land use map to guide development which is the legal basis to justify any rezoning of land. They noted the draft of the Township Plan did not include a future Comp Land Use Plan. The County, in their planning, made assumptions based on this plan and previous Township plans such as the 2006 Community Vision for Land Use Plan which was completed by the University of Minnesota. At a previous Town Meeting the Board reviewed County comments as outlined in the November letter and was not in agreement with some of the language. This workshop meeting was held to discuss the County's interpretation of the Town's goals and implementation strategies. The County Land Use Map outlines a conservation corridor overlay, business and industry area, heavy industrial are, rural residential area now known as general rural, aggregate reserve area, designation of the urban expansion area to coincide with the Orderly Annexation Agreement are, parks/open space, the Zimmerman City limits are also designated on the map. After discussing each of the proposed land use areas the Board asked that the County map be amended to show all areas as rural residential now known as general rural; the urban expansion area will remain as is as will the heavy industrial area which is where the landfill is located. Sherper thanked Commissioner Leonard, Nancy Riddle and Jon Sevald for attending and participating in this worthwhile discussion.

Discussion with Chuck Marohn regarding the Township's Comprehensive Plan. Marohn has talked with MnDot regarding amendment to the Town's road standard; they would like to see a plan, speed study would be done once a project is done. There was discussion regarding whether or not the Township might want to consider taking over some zoning and how that would be implemented. Board was provided with a copy of the current interim and conditional uses allowed by County Zoning Ordinance. Will go through the list at the next CGI meeting on January 31st. Next steps to finalize this phase of planning will include possible amendment to the road standards, possible update of the JPA with Sherburne County for Zoning and development of ordinances to support the update.

Doebler/Hass unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 p.m.

Dated this 24th day of January 2011



Chair or Vice Chair



Clerk/Treasurer or Deputy Clerk/Treasurer