

**AMENDED
MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
HELD TUESDAY, OCT 18TH 2005
ROCKVILLE CITY HALL 6 P.M.**

Present: Jerry Bechtold, Linda Peck, Roger Schmidt, Dan Hansen, Kathleen Stanger, Toni Honer (acting secretary)

Absent: Dale Borgmann

Also Present: Rena Weber, Judy Neu

Speaker: Cynthia Smith-Strack

Meeting was called to order 6:00 p.m. by Jerry Bechtold, Agenda was approved, Linda asked Toni to pose as acting secretary for this meeting, Toni accepted.

Meeting was to discuss ordinances pertaining to Environmental preservation Standards. Chapter 2, 4-10.

Goal: To protect what makes Rockville unique and enhance the city's way of life.

This primarily affects urban land use. Agriculture is exempt from standard.

Also effects maps: 2-3, 2-4, 2-8

Revisions that Cynthia proposes are supplemented with wetland ordinance, if conflicts occur than the stricter ordinance shall apply.

Effects parcels that are a minimum of 100 acres or 1 mile in contiguous length, also pertains to the natural rock outcroppings that are unique to our city.

Cynthia's report was supported pending clarification of the following:

Subdivision 2: What happens if a ground is moved or disturbed under a agricultural zone and then owners apply to rezone?

Discuss wording on page 3 for subdivision 3 "city shall strive to" the general question is if " strive to" should be left off in order to make this sound more serious and not a negotiable issue.

Page 5 fact 5, change the length of tree life to 2 years instead of 1, to go along with revisions that we have previously discussed in regards to our tree ordinance.

Page 5 fact 7, make note that during the construction process special attention should be given to the parking of construction equipment, as not to impact the soil, and add to stress of trees that are being left.

A general discussion followed regarding having the staff to enforce ordinance standards. Jerry and Rena informed us that there was a meeting this same night in St. Joe to discuss this exact matter. There are several communities that are working together with the county to get a commission where several cities would share one employee backed by a professional group. We should have more information about this at our next meeting.

Linda asked permission to stay after and discuss some notes that she had with Cynthia.

Meeting was adjourned 7:08 p.m.

Chairman _____ Acting Secretary _____