

Watertown Township  
Planning commission  
Special Meeting  
January 15, 2015

Members Present: Al Stoutenburg, Gary Fetting, Ed Budzinski, John Bezotte, Scott Franzel, Dale Schoen and Sheila Coats, also present Zoning Administrator, Richard Honaman.

Members Absent: None

Guests: None

Meeting called to order at 6:01 pm by Al Stoutenburg, Chairman. All present rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Agenda:** Master Plan to be updated

John Bezotte made a motion to accept (with correction) December 19, 2014 minutes, seconded by Ed Budzinski. Motion carried.

Rich Honaman discussed how we should start on Master Plan updating and have meeting be 1 hour to 1/2 hour per meeting. Rich stated he had looked at Moore Township Master Plan. John Bezotte stated not much use and who had actually looked at Master Plan over the years. Discussed use of Master Plan, districts (commercial and residential) and what our plan should be for these districts. Rich questioned if both sides of M-19 are commercial property. John requested we merely revise our original Master Plan, he stated some concern about possible annexation to City. Gary has created a Word document so we can make changes to the document, add new charts, maps, etc. Then we can post to the website and have available online. Possibly mail out a survey, most felt we would not get much response. Divide into sections. Gary stated we need to change Sewer/Water Utility Authority, Cowley Airport.

Gary would like if we had High Speed internet in building. Could take google maps and add layers which would make maps clearer. Sheila suggested Gary and John be paid for their extra hours working on Master Plan. Some discussion. Again discussed high speed internet options, Air Advantage has line out back. Scott asked if we needed to make a motion to get township to get high speed internet. Gary suggested we contact providers to Watertown area. Goal for the township to add to Master Plan. Ask board to add internet service to Township building. Include new technology in future plans. We need to encourage new technology to have Township stand out as future technology changes.

Gary will look into charts and work on them. Next meeting work on Chapter 1 and 2. Sheila made a motion to pay Gary and John \$40 per hour for extra work done on Master Plan. Ed Budzinski seconded. Motion carried.

Next meeting to be held 2/19/15 at 6:00 PM.

Rich mentioned roads and how they fit into the Master Plan. Discussed limestone on Miller Road and County has fixed potholes.

Gary stated we need a bike route from City into Watertown Township. Al stated we need to get rid of dump at edge of city (corner of Jean Street and Maple Valley St).

Al asked if anything else to discuss at this time, nothing was added. Gary Fetting made a motion to adjourn, seconded by John Bezotte. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Sheila Coats  
Watertown Township Planning Commission