

Citizen Involvement Advisory Committee (CIAC) Minutes of April 16, 2009 meeting (APPROVED)

CIAC met on Thursday, April 16 in Conference Room C, Agriculture Building, Salem.

Present were:

CIAC members: Ann Glaze (Chair), Ian Maitland (Vice Chair), Pat Zimmerman, Chris White (9:55), Mollie Eder, Gregory McClarren and Don Greene.

DLCD staff: Darren Nichols and Cliff Voliva

LCDC liaison: None

AOCPD liaison: None

Public: Lonny Sweeney (Sandy)

ITEM 1: Glaze called the meeting to order at 9:37 a.m. She welcomed CIAC's newest member, Mollie Eder (Powell Butte), District 2.

ITEM 2: AGENDA REVIEW, APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 9 MINUTES: There were no changes made to the agenda. There were no changes to the February 20, 2009 minutes. McClarren made a motion that the minutes of the February 20 meeting be approved as submitted; Maitland seconded. **The motion passed 6-0.** McClarren added that, in reference to a misunderstanding about the first draft of the February minutes, that CIAC urge all parties to remain in the room when speaking about the same issue. Discussion followed. McClarren added that he thought it was commendable that Zimmerman and Maitland reached out to the three Portland residents who attended the last CIAC meeting.

ITEM 3: PUBLIC COMMENT: Sandy resident Lonny Sweeney came to the meeting because he said he was frustrated with the lack of response to a letter (provided to CIAC) to the Big Look committee. Before purchasing about 80 rural acres in Jefferson County, he said he was told by a county official that he'd need to earn \$40,000 in farm income in two years in order to put a dwelling on the property. However, after he bought the land in 2004, he said another county official told him he'd need to earn \$80,000 in farm income because the land was "irrigated." Sweeney said he was familiar with Oregon's land use system, having helped with Sandy's original comprehensive plan in the 1970s. Discussion followed. Sweeney thanked CIAC for letting him air his frustration. He said he would send an e-mail to Voliva to ask for assistance from the department.

ITEM 4: CONTINUE DISCUSSION ON CIAC WORK PLAN: Glaze handed out a three-page document that she hoped would help CIAC take a fresh look at citizen involvement. She said CIAC could be more effective if it worked with other groups that have the same concerns. McClarren said he felt that changing behavior was the most important issue among citizens. Zimmerman said committee members should read recent

articles by Ed Sullivan and Mitch Rohse, which covers the issues well. Discussion followed. McClarren said he thought the new STARS Award is a step in the right direction.

ITEM 5: PRESENTATION ON DESCHUTES COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE: Terri Hansen Payne, a planner from the county, showed a 30-minute PowerPoint presentation about how the county would roll out its comprehensive plan update. She stressed that the county wants to hear from the citizens first before the actual work on the plan begins. Hansen Payne said the plan was written in 1979 and has been updated “in places” along the way. She said the county anticipates 100,000 new residents by 2030.

ITEM 6: STAR RECOGNITION PROGRAM: White brought an updated nomination form, which included a few minor changes. She also brought a draft of a news release, which she said should be sent out with the criteria and nomination form, and sent out to the broad list of interested parties. Voliva said he should be able to get all of the information out the following week, and put it all on the department website.

ITEM 10: DISCUSSION ON REPLACING MEMBER WHO RESIGNED: Glaze said this item was put on the agenda to see how CIAC wanted to replace John Kilian. The committee discussed replacing Kilian with Roberta Donovan, who was the runner-up in the recent District 2 opening. The committee unanimously agreed to recommend to LCDC that Donovan fill Kilian’s vacancy.

ITEM 11: OTHER: None of the committee members were going to be able to attend the LCDC meeting the following day, so Glaze asked Voliva to report CIAC business to the Commission. Voliva said he would, but asked Glaze to prepare an outline to read from. She said she would, saying she would call attention to the recommendation of Donovan, an amendment to CIAC’s Bylaws, and an overview of the Deschutes County presentation.

ITEM 7: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CIAC BYLAWS: Maitland asked the committee to review his requested amendment to *Article VII: Removal of Members*. The committee agreed with Maitland’s amendments and asked Voliva to bring them to LCDC the following day, with the idea LCDC would consider the amendments at its meeting in June.

ITEM 9: CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT IN PERIODIC REVIEW: Nichols opened by saying that DLCD Director Richard Whitman suggested this agenda item should be expanded to cover the general frustrations with citizen involvement. A broad discussion followed, which led to CIAC revisiting its developing work

plan. Committee members brought up ideas for future CIAC involvement. Each member, and Voliva, voted for their top two issues. The results are below, listed from most important to least important:

- CIAC networking regionally (4 votes)
- PAPAs: more public notice/involvement (3)
- Appeal fees and other impediments to transparency (3)
- Collaboration: Federal and state agencies (2)
- Change Periodic Review from technical to visioning (2)
- General resistance to public involvement (1)
- Legislative recognition of neighborhood groups (1)
- Periodic Review needs a new name to sell it
- Grants for citizen involvement
- Telephone CIAC meetings, six times per year

Glaze said this list should be put together with a similar list CIAC gave to the Big Look task force back in 2006.

ITEM 8: CITY OF BROOKINGS CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT ANNUAL REPORT: Maitland said he drafted a letter for Glaze to send to the City of Brookings about the report. Discussion followed. Glaze said she would amend Maitland's letter, based on the discussion, and send it out to the committee via e-mail for final review before sending it to the city.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m. The next meeting will be on Thursday, June 18, 2009 in Salem.