

**MINUTES OF THE
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
February 8, 2001**

MINUTES

PRESENT

S. Stoane
E. Lukens
L. Holder
K. Coley
G. Rankin
H. Reed
L. Tundermann @ 7:05 p.m.
J. Brawerman @ 7:07 p.m.
J. Beatty

ABSENT

L. Holden
J. Fortuna
J. Kilian
J. Bagley
E. Blanker

OTHERS PRESENT

Jim Sipperly, Staff
D. Fiske
D. Thomasson
D. Carter
A. Simmons
2 residents

A. Call to Order

1. Roll Call

Chairperson S. Stoane called the meeting to order at 6:14 p.m. in the Board Room at the Russell Library. All members in attendance are full voting members tonight.

B. Site Plan Review of Country Hill Open Space Subdivision

Attorney Dean Thomasson represented the applicant and discussed in general the proposed Subdivision. Mr. Sipperly reminded the Commission members present that they are not responsible for conducting an in depth site plan review. Dan Carter the applicant's engineer discussed in detail the proposed subdivision, including recent revisions regarding surface drainage. Much discussion ensued.

K. Coley submitted a document from the Westfield Residents for Rational Development dated January 10, 2001 and discussed its contents.

Motion: To move Public forum to this part of the meeting.

Moved by J. Beatty\seconded by K. Coley

Approved unanimously

Mr. Simmons from Country Club road discussed problems that he has had regarding surface drainage. D. Carta explained what was being proposed to alternate the drainage concerns. One other member of the public made a general comment on the project. Much discussion ensued.

Motion: To close the Public forum session of this meeting

Moved by J. Beatty\seconded by E. Lukens

Approved unanimously

Much discussion ensued.

Motion: That after review by the Conservation Commission of the Country Hill Subdivision the Commission recommends to the Planning and Zoning Commission that an open space subdivision is preferred over a conventional subdivision with the addition of a requirement that a 50 foot right of way be created for public access.

Moved by J. Beatty\seconded by K. Coley

An amendment to the motion by J. Beatty included:

(and concurred with K. Coley)

with the condition that the developer also install a wooden split rail fence along the property lines adjacent to the 50 foot access right of way and a gravel\stone pedestrian access.

Vote: K. Coley, E. Lukens, S. Stoane, J. Beatty in favor

H. Reid, L. Holden abstained

Motion carries.

C. Minutes

1. Minutes of January 11, 2001
2. Minutes of Special Meeting January 23, 2001

Motion to approve the minutes as presented

Moved by J. Beatty\seconded by K. Coley

Approved unanimously

F. 3

Motion: To move item F4 (New Business Other)

Chairperson, S. Stoane wanted to discuss the CRISP document

Moved by J. Beatty\seconded by K. Coley

Approved unanimously

L. Tundermann arrived at 7:05 p.m.

J. Brawerman also arrived

S. Stoane recapped the time- frames and how the CRISP was developed. Much discussion ensued.

Several items were discussed regarding inaccuracies and\or inefficiencies found in the CRISP draft dated January 2001. The public comment period is up on February 16, 2001, unless extended by the state.

It was the consensus of the commission members present to have Liz Holden and Katchen Coley finalize a document with comments and recommendations.

Issues were: alternatives, road impacts, species concerns, and water quality.

Matt Graves arrived at 7:10 p.m.

Much discussion continued regarding the CRISP document.

J. Brawerman left at 8:30 p.m.

S. Stoane will follow up with P & Z on the Plan of Conservation Development and possible joint workshops on certain chapters.

Mr. Sipperly reported that the Rockfall grant was awarded for the open space brochure.

Other agenda items were tabled until the next meeting.

Motion: To adjourn at 8:50 p.m.

Moved by K. Coley/ seconded by L. Holden

Approved unanimously

