

### **Opening**

Chairman Crice started the meeting at 6:10 pm.

Committee Members attending: Chris Reinersman, Rodney Crice, Mike Warth. Jake Stremmel and Paul Metzger

Also present: Keith Logsdon, Deputy Director for Long Range Planning at the Northern Kentucky Area and Planning and Dan Groth, Independence City Administrator.

### **Introduction of Dan Groth, City Administrator**

Mr. Groth spoke to the committee about the Building Valued Neighborhoods Conference: Community Character through Form Based Codes on Oct 3 and Oct 4<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$35 dollars (committee members are free). It will be held at 2859 Colerain Avenue Suite 11, Cincinnati Ohio.

### **Adoption of Minutes from June 2008 Meeting**

Mr. Stremmel made a motion to adopt the minutes from July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2008. Mr. Reinersman seconded the motion. Motion Passed Unanimously (5-0).

### **Old Business**

The committee members discussed the future of meetings through December of this year.

Mr. Warth will email a template for the subcommittee meetings to the members.

### **Subcommittee report**

Mr. Stremmel spoke about the Design Guidelines he has researched and will present to his sub-committee later this evening.

Mr. Metzger had a meeting with the Northern Kentucky Area and Planning Staff. Mr. Metzger commented we need to balance in the information we are researching.

Mr. Reinersman – Historic Preservation – Added we do not need to re-invent the wheel and is researching information for downtown to be Historic District. Rehab dollars available and tax breaks. Mr. Reinersman commented the Park Hills meeting was mainly used for the distribution of information. Mr. Reinersman spoke about the Main Street program, economic development and will meet with the city administrator. It is Mr. Reinersman wish to get more long-term residents downtown involved in this process.

Mr. Warth - City Beautification – Commented and presented material that he will give out at the subcommittee meetings later in the evening. Other committee members mentioned the need for city branding and way finding.

**New Business**

Committee members discussed the resignation of Mackey McNeil. We are still unclear if Donna Brautigan wants to be a committee member.

Committee members voted to reduce the committee member number to six which keeps the current quorum at four members. Mr. Metzger made the first motion with Mr. Warth the second and the motion unanimously passed.

Committee members commented on the opening of the New US 17 and how the road has a rural cross-section in some areas and a Urban cross section in others.

Keith Logsdon gave a quick overview for the subcommittee members in attendance

Mr. Warth presented a template for sub-committee chairman to use.

**To-Do List**

Reports from each Subcommittee Chairman will be due at the next meeting.

**Motion to Adjourn**

A motion to adjourn was made at 7:30 pm by Mr. Metzger and a second by Mr. Reinersman. Motion Passed Unanimously (5-0).

The next committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2008. All meetings will be held at the Senior/Community Center.

PREPARED BY : \_\_\_\_\_ - Secretary

APPROVED BY: \_\_\_\_\_ - Chairperson

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_