



Minutes Regular Meeting of
The Planning and Zoning Commission
Of the Village of Volente, Texas
Tuesday, June 10, 2014
7:00 p.m.

City Hall, 16100 Wharf Cove, Volente, TX 78641

1. Open Meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Chair Allison Thrash.

2. Roll Call.

Joan Jackson, City Secretary called roll. Present: Allison Thrash, Babs Yarbrough, Kit Hopkins, and Rett Scudder. Absent: Missy Thost and Ruan Laurens. A quorum of members was present.

3. Citizens Comments.

No comments at this time.

4. Approval of the February 5, 2014, May 7, 2014, and June 3, 2014 minutes.

The February 5, 2014, May 7, 2014, and June 3, 2014 minutes were approved with corrections. Babs Yarbrough made a motion to approve all the minutes with the suggested corrections on the May 7, 2014 minutes. Kit Hopkins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion of current Village of Volente Comprehensive Plan and Community Survey.

a. Staff Update and presentation on Previous Action Items and Past History of Comprehensive Plan.

Allison Thrash, Chair, gave an update on the Comprehensive Plan and the background of the plan. After the presentation, she stated that now is the time to look over the current plan, correct outdated information and misinformation and typographical/grammatical errors and bring information for a new survey (generated by the Commission's review of the old survey; input received from each Council member's committee; and public input brought forth in Commission/Council meetings, public hearings and town hall meetings). This new survey will be given to all stakeholders in the Village.



Public Comments:

Nancy Carufel, 8138 Joy Rd, Volente, TX said the Public Relations Committee had spent much time on the survey. She asked if each committee will have input in the survey and then present this information to the Planning and Zoning Commission. She stated she did not realize tonight's agenda had a public hearing on it.

Judy Barrick, 15907 Booth Circle, Volente, TX wanted to know how many original surveys were sent out and how many were returned.

Joyce Beck, 15951 Booth Circle, Volente, TX asked if the Mayor had the authority to give a directive to the Planning and Zoning Commission. She asked this because she believed the City Council did not vote for the Public Relations Committee to report to the Planning and Zoning Commission. She asked if the Planning and Zoning Commission is tasked with the survey.

Commission Member Babs Yarbrough felt the survey should be sent out and returned before the comprehensive plan update so the Commission would have input from the citizens.

Chair Allison Thrash said the Commission would be working on both the Comprehensive Plan and the survey in tandem. She added both of these are priorities and can be worked on at the same time. She also told Judy Barrick she thought 300 to 400 surveys were sent out and she would give the answers to her other questions after the meeting.

Commissioner Hopkins gave Judy Barrick her own handout of the 2004 Community Survey which had many of the answers to Judy Barrick's questions. Chair Thrash told Nancy Carufel that the public hearing would be added to the heading of the agenda in the future to avoid any further confusion, explaining that it is the Commission's intent to provide the public with two opportunities within the Commission's Regular Meeting to give input on both the Comprehensive Plan and the Community Survey. She explained to the Commissioners and the meeting attendees how the Community Survey is under the purview of the Planning and Zoning Commission and that it is their job to prepare it to the best of their ability for a recommendation to Council.



b. Presentation by Public Relations Committee Chair of Input for Community Survey.

Ken Beck, Public Relations Committee Chair, explained the work that the Public Relations Committee had put into the new survey. He explained how he thought their work on the survey would be presented directly to Council.

Public Comments:

Jan Yenawine, 15600 Booth Circle, Volente, TX said the Comprehensive Plan is where all the ordinances are based. Each committee is responsible for getting comments and questions to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Judy Barrick, 15907 Booth Circle, Volente, TX stated she believed the results of the previous survey were compiled by David Gordon.

A break was taken at 8:40 p.m.

The meeting was called back into order at 8:50 p.m.

c. Review of Chapters One and Two of Current VOV Comprehensive Plan.

The Commission went through the first two chapters page by page and made suggestions, corrections, additions, and updates. Each of these suggestions, corrections, additions or updates were noted and will be added to the chapters.

6. Adjourn.

Rett Scudder made a motion to adjourn. Babs Yarbrough seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Approved this 8th day of July, 2014.

Allison Thrash, Chair

Joan Jackson, City Secretary