

City of Ann Arbor

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, January 13, 2010

4:30 PM

County Building, 220 N. Main St.

Greenbelt Advisory Commission (GAC)

CALL TO ORDER

Acting Chair Hall called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m. in the County Commissioner Board Room, 220 N. Main Street.

ROLL CALL

- Present** 5 - Tom Bloomer, Dan Ezekiel, Jennifer Santi Hall, Gilbert S. Omenn, and Peter Allen
- Absent** 4 - Michael Garfield, Commissioner Laura Rubin, Carsten Hohnke, and Catherine Riseng

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Bloomer, seconded by Commissioner Ezekiel, that the agenda be approved as presented. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. [10-0030](#) Greenbelt Advisory Commission Minutes of November 4, 2009 and December 9, 2009
A motion was made by Commissioner Allen, seconded by Commissioner Omenn, that the minutes November 4 and December 9, 2009 be approved by the Commission and forwarded to the City Council for filing. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

(Commissioner Reising arrived at 4:34 p.m. and Commissioner Garfield arrived at 4:37 p.m.)

- Present** 7 - Tom Bloomer, Dan Ezekiel, Michael Garfield, Jennifer Santi Hall, Gilbert S. Omenn, Peter Allen, and Catherine Riseng
- Absent** 2 - Commissioner Laura Rubin, and Carsten Hohnke

1. Staff Updates

Ginny Trocchio informed the Commission that the new round of FFRP Funds deadline is February 17, 2010. \$2.4 million is available.

Ms. Trocchio also informed the Commission that Jayne Miller, Community Services Area Administrator would be leaving the City as of Feb. 12, 2009 to pursue a career as an executive director of the Brighton-based Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority.

The Commission voted to create a resolution acknowledging Ms. Miller's contributions to the Greenbelt.

NEXT AGENDA ITEMS

None presented.

REPORTS FROM STAFF

None.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEES

None.

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

None.

CLOSED SESSION

*(Commissioner Rubin arrived some time during the Closed Session.)
(Commissioner Garfield left at 6:18 p.m.)*

A motion was made by Commissioner Omenn, seconded by Commissioner Bloomer, that the Commission enter into Closed session to discuss Attorney/Client privileged communication and land acquisitions. On roll call, the vote was as follows, with the Chair declaring the motion carried (The meeting recessed at 4:38 p.m.):

Yeas: 7 - Commissioner Bloomer, Commissioner Ezekiel, Commissioner Garfield, Commissioner Santi Hall, Commissioner Omenn, Commissioner Allen, and Commissioner Riseng

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Rubin, and Councilmember Hohnke

MEETING RECONVENED

A motion was made by Commissioner Ezekiel, seconded by Commissioner

Reising, that the meeting reconvene. On a voice vote, the Chair Rubin declared the motion carried and the meeting reconvened at 6:27 p.m.

1. FRPP Funds for Application No. 2005-13

A motion was made by Commissioner Hall, seconded by Commissioner Bloomer, to propose a resolution to recommend to City Council to apply for FRPP funds for the property identified in Application No. 2005-13 in the 2010 application cycle, due to its prime farm land and proximity to other protected properties. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

2. FRPP Funds for Application No. 2006-10

A motion was made by Commissioner Hall, seconded by Commissioner Reising, to propose a resolution to recommend to City Council to apply for FRPP funds for the property identified in Application No. 2006-10 in the 2010 application cycle, due to its soils of local imports adjacent to other protected properties and the opportunity for local matching funds. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

3. Brawn and Gould Property

A motion was made by Commissioner Santi Hall, seconded by Commissioner Reising, to recommend to City Council to authorize an appraisal on the Braun and Gould properties pursuant to a recent communication from the Farm and Ranch Protection Program. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

4. Application No. 2009-05

A motion was made by Commissioner Santi Hall, seconded by Commissioner Ezekiel, to propose a resolution to recommend to City Council to authorize an appraisal on the property identified in Application No. 2009-05 in Northfield Township. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

COMMUNICATION FROM COMMISSIONER RUBIN

Commissioner Rubin said Ken Schwartz emailed her and informed her that he would attend meeting scheduled with the Greenbelt Advisory Commission and the Township next week.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Omenn, seconded by Commissioner Ezekiel, that the meeting be adjourned. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

Laura Rubin, Chairperson

**Anissa R. Bowden
Recording Secretary**