

TOWN OF TRAPPE
PLANNING COMMISSION
TRAPPE TOWN OFFICE

September 18, 2018

7:00 PM

The meeting of the Trappe Planning Commission was called to order at 7:01 pm by Chairman Edgar Harrison. Other members present were Bobby Quidas, Scott Metje, Norm Fegel, and Brian Schmidt. Also present were Zoning Administrator Cheyenne Cowell, Peter Johnston, Don English, and Cathy Schmidt.

Review of Minutes

The minutes from July 17, 2018 were approved as presented.

Old Business

Comprehensive Plan Update – Peter Johnston

Mr. Johnston began by handing out a corrected version of Table 5 of the drafted Growth Scenarios (table and draft are filed in the records). Mr. Johnston then gave a breakdown of planning and zoning authority in regards to a comprehensive plan. Mr. Johnston described the municipal growth element of a comprehensive plan as a central element that focuses on population growth and how it will affect community and public services. He stated that this is measured in two elements – population and dwelling units. Mr. Johnston stated that a comprehensive plan and the zoning that follows need to be consistent.

Mr. Johnston then began to discuss the notion of establishing scenarios. He described it as a balance between what the town would like to see and what it is most likely going to see. Mr. Johnston stated that the major driving force for population growth in Trappe is the [Lakeside] project.

Mr. Johnston put together the growth scenarios in an effort to get feedback from the commissioners on what they believe is the best scenario to use going forward. The chosen scenario(s) will go forward in driving the development of the municipal growth element as well as other elements of Trappe's comprehensive plan. After reviewing the State's projections, Mr. Johnston recommended the lower growth scenarios (6 and 7) as the most realistic for Trappe's future growth.

The commissioners discussed the future of the Lakeside development and how it would affect population along with community and public services. Chairman Harrison stated that based on the past, scenario 7 seems to be the best choice. He stated further that scenario 6 should also be considered to include the possibility of Lakeside or other developments building in Trappe. All commissioners agreed that scenarios 6 and 7 should be used going forward.

Mr. Johnston asked the commissioners to consider the impact of population growth on services and facilities. Mr. Johnston will use the selected scenarios (6 and 7) to consider impacts on schools, emergency services, town hall, and other facilities. Mr. Johnston asked if the town could provide studies done for the Lakeside development that he could use in evaluating services and facilities for the municipal growth element.

Mr. Johnston will have a drafted municipal growth element to present at the next meeting.

New Business

None

Staff Items

None

With no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:06 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheyenne Cowell

Zoning Administrator