Gallia County Planning Commission

Minutes

August 14, 2017

The Gallia County Planning Commission met on Monday, August 14, 2017 with the following members in attendance: Paul Shoemaker, Melissa Clark, Craig Barnes, Paul Hutchins, Adam Edwards, County Engineer Brett Boothe, and County Commissioner David K. Smith. Guests Jamie Graham (Green Township), David Holley (Green Township), and John Sager.

Chairman Paul Shoemaker brought the meeting to order and established a quorum. The minutes of the July 2017 meeting were approved as submitted with a motion to approve by Paul Hutchins, second by David Smith. All members voting yea.

Business Discussed:

Oak Ridge Rd, Woods Subdivision-

Mr. Sager had recently requested Gallia County Engineer Brett Boothe to review the current condition of Oak Ridge Drive and provide recommendations for the road to meet the standards of the Gallia County Subdivision Regulations. On June 6, 2017, the Engineer's Office reviewed Oak Ridge Rd for completion of items that were noted in the October 26, 2010 letter of inspection. In the June 6, 2017 inspection, County Engineer Boothe noted further deterioration of the road as well as issues that would need addressed.

Green Township trustees were present to discuss Oak Ridge Rd and during the meeting brought up their growing concerns of storm water drainage and road maintenance in other subdivisions within their township. County Engineer Boothe commented that some municipalities have specific storm water districts.

After a lengthy discussion of the status of Oak Ridge Rd and items needing addressed, County Commissioner David Smith asked Mr. Sager what his intentions were for Oak Ridge Rd, to which Mr. Sager indicated his intent is to meet the required road standards and turn the road over to the township.

During the discussion, Mr. Sager was provided a copy of County Engineer Boothe's review of the road. Mr. Sager indicated he would provide this information to contractors and also inquired to the Board if these items were corrected, would the township trustees would accept and maintain the road. Commissioner David Smith indicated it is the duty of the Planning Commission is to protect the township trustees from taking on a new road without additional upgrade costs. The board indicated they cannot guarantee the road will be accepted, but the longer Mr. Sager waits to make corrections, the road conditions will only further decline.

Planning Commission member Craig Barnes abstained from commenting on the matter. The Planning Commission took no action.

Prior to the meeting concluding, Green Township Trustee Jamie Graham discussed how they would like to see more oversight to subdivision storm water drainage and asked for the feasibility of establishing a storm water district in Gallia County.

With no further business to discuss, David K. Smith moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:15 pm.