

Amsterdam/Churchill Community Planning Group
April 7, 2008

Attendees: Carol Weidenaar, Carl Vander Molen, Robin Swanson, Tim Van Dam, Keith Venema, Walt Sales, Warren Vaughan, Bob Urich, Ada Montague, Erika Braaksma, LeRoy Logterman, Gail Weidenaar

Meeting Introduction:

- 1) Warren opened the meeting at 7:04 pm.
- 2) The meeting agenda was passed around the table while everyone was asked to share any rumors regarding the planning process. There were no substantial rumors. Some attendees pointed out the lack of the large land owner participation in the planning process. It was also reported that the number of family transfers has recently gone up in the Amsterdam/Churchill area.
- 3) Warren gave a brief report on the current East Cameron Bridge Road emergency gravel pit zoning issue. The county commissioners have an upcoming meeting planned to address the issue.

Business:

- 4) Warren returned checks to everyone who had donated money, asking them to make the checks payable to "Executive Mailing Services." The cost of the last mailing was \$188.00
- 5) Carol reported on behalf of Gail (who had not arrived yet) regarding the status of the 501 non-profit process. She reported that we need to have an "Article of Association" to become a non-profit group. Gail reported more on the topic later in the minutes.
- 6) **It was announced that the ACCPG meeting dates will change starting in May. We will meet on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month instead of the 1st and 3rd due to a conflict with fire training schedules. Therefore, the next meeting will be April 21st and the following meeting will be May 12th.**
- 7) Warren asked if everyone attending the ACCPG meetings would like to be mailed the handouts and minutes a few days before each meeting in order to allow time to read all the material. Erika would email Warren the previous meetings minutes by the Wednesday before the next meeting, and Warren would include them in the mailing (rather than have Erika email them to everybody). Bob moved and Erika 2nd the motion. Motion passed (all 5's).

Results of the March 17th Meeting & Future Business:

- 8) Warren passed around two handouts entitled: “General Questions/ Comments – March 17, 2008 Community Event,” and “Core Questions”
- 9) Feedback gathered from the March 17th community meeting was discussed.
- 10) The size of the proposed “core” in Amsterdam/Churchill was also discussed. It was proposed that perhaps the core boundary should be made smaller until it is understood what resources are available for development regarding water and sewer. No vote was taken.
- 11) Warren handed out an example of a draft zoning regulation so that everyone could see how one is put together. Warren read through it with the group, *emphasizing that this was only an example*, and explained some of the options that could be incorporated into the Amsterdam/Churchill zoning regulations.
- 12) Ada volunteered to research the water availability situation in the Amsterdam/Churchill area.
- 13) Gail reported that she applied for a tax ID number for the ACCPG non-profit group. She was told she needed the following:
 - 1) a list of association numbers (phone number of the members)
 - 2) a list of officers
 - 3) a constitution and by-laws
- 14) Everyone agreed to review the example draft zoning handout and write down any comments.
- 15) Warren agreed to write a draft plan of zoning regulations for the Amsterdam/Churchill area.
- 16) Erika asked if the minutes from the March 3rd meeting were approved. Since the minutes were not fresh in anyone’s mind, approval will be suspended until the next meeting.
- 17) The next ACCPG meeting will be held on April 21st from 7-9 pm at the Amsterdam Fire Hall.
- 18) Carol moved that the meeting be adjourned and LeRoy seconded. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 9:07 pm.