

Report of the **Town Wilson Long Range Plan [LRP] Ad Hoc Committee** meeting held Monday, September 26, 2011 in the Town Wilson Office Building. Agenda for this meeting was posted at the TW Office, TW Maintenance Building and TW Fire Department on Tuesday September 20, 2011 between the hours of 9: and 10:am.

Meeting convened at 6:30pm. Present: Co-Chairs Bob Werner and Marge Pearce. Kevin Struck – UW Extension, Marko Zagar, Jerome Zimbal. Nancy Schreiber, Jim VanTreeck, Gerry Bertsch, Rick Meyer, Rich Ternes, Larry Pearce.

Werner met with TW Plan Commission on September 12th to review the OK Corridor Task Report. He pointed out the wisdom in requiring wider setbacks for new construction on the Corridor in the event the travel surface extends further into the 66' r.o.w. Overlay zoning, based on information shared by Struck, does not seem the best route to take in encouraging development. Currently, some A-2 zoned parcels along the Corridor might be considered inappropriate in the Long Range Plan, and would not require re-zoning or a Conditional Use Permit. It is recommended the PC carefully consider any requests for compatibility with the existing parcels and LRP. Permitting a use which involves animals should be discouraged. Performance Standards restricting noise, odor, etc, increased setbacks and required landscaping based on a submitted plan could address these concerns.

Struck distributed copies of the draft TW Visitors map – one of the goals of this task. It is quite clear and easy to follow. Some ideas were presented for additional information: Adding symbols for the hotel, gas station and three restaurant/bars. Adding 'established' dates to the TW cemeteries to indicate they are old and could contain the graves of Civil War Soldiers. Noting the location of the extensions of the Bike Trail into the City of Sheboygan and the Village of Oostburg.

There was a rough sketch [indicating the existing structures and equipment] of Bell Tower Park and Victor Gruber Fire Department Park located at Evergreen Drive and Indian Mound Road attached to the agenda. It was pointed out there is discussion of the possibility of adding two bays to the north side of the firehouse which would effectively eliminate the play area. Past and current uses of the entire park were discussed. The play equipment is old and does not meet current safety standards. It is located too close to the north property line and to Evergreen Drive. Vehicles park near the front entrances to the firehouse and can be a hazard for the firemen. Consensus was that a playground, using new equipment, should be located somewhere in the open area west of the firehouse. Consideration must be given to the existing healthy trees This would encourage vehicle parking in the [already] paved parking area in Indian Mound Road and away from the front of the firehouse. It would also place the area further away from roadways and traffic. Zagar pointed out that at one point TW P&F reviewed the feasibility and costs of making improvements to the park. However, Bertsch and the TW Clerk were unable to provide any written records. Zagar has copies which he will provide to Bertsch. Upshot of the discussion was to request interested parties to look at the play equipment at Jackson School, Optimist Park on Carmen Avenue and (about) 18th, Franklin School Park on Broadway and 14th, and Longfellow School on South 8th Street. Werner will try to take some pictures. Further discussion will be on October Agenda.

Asked as to what improvements might be considered as being eligible for Stewardship Fund Grant monies, Werner said bike racks, shelters, some signage, restrooms and new trails are usually eligible.

Next Meeting. Monday, October 24, 2011.

Updates on matters from this report.

If time allows, opening discussion on what improvements could ne made to other TW Parks and Open Space.

What type and where residents want future parks.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03pm

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