

## MINUTES

### Levy County Planning Commission Public Hearing - Mining

January 7, 2002  
6:35 p.m.

The Levy County Planning Commission Public Hearing was called to order by Vice Chairman Mr. Duncan McCallum. Other members present were as follows:

Susan Haines  
Vaughn Lee  
Tommy Thompson

Vice Chairman McCallum called for approval of the 2<sup>nd</sup> part of the minutes from December 3, 2002 meeting. Mrs. Haines made a motion to approve the Levy County Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee Workshop and the Planning Commission Mining workshop. Mr. Lee seconded: motion carried.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

- Rob - Explained the process of the ordinance and proceeded to read the entire ordinance for the record. Sanitary or Refuse Landfills section has not been changed but will need to be in the future. Pg. 6 sec. 4 subsection ii should read "In the event that a Special Exception or Conditional Use application is required, the required documentation listed below is in addition to the ...SEP or CUP and shall be submitted for review simultaneously." Pg. 7 sec. C, No.1 should read "The shape and dimensions of the entire property with the project area delineated if only a portion of the tract or partial is to be used for the mining operation. Sec. D, subsection 1 should read "The description...a schedule of the expected duration of the operation [and phasing if applicable], the type of fill.... Pg. 8, sec. B, subsection i. "Project review for any proposed Major mining.... Pg. 10 sec. F, should read "Any excavation...from the affected Water Management District, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, and or the Army Corp of Engineers."
- Susan - Pg. 8 distinguish between filing fee and permit fee. Pg. 10 sec. F, suggested that we keep it consistent with the wording on pg. 3 C for the agencies. Pg. 5, No.3, sec. G, add comma in between 6 p.m. and unless.
- Duncan - Asked Chairman Thompson if he wished to take over the meeting now that he was present, Mr. Thompson indicated Duncan should continue. Asked the public if they had any comment on the definitions, Audience had none. Board of County Commissioners gave the Planning Commission responsibility of drafting ordinance. Thanked staff for work done. Still time for document to be updated before final.

The public then gave their input on the ordinance.

- A.D. Andrews - Agri-businessman, felt the mining issue was not covered enough and the public is not well informed about ordinance. This document too regulatory and prohibited to citizens of the county. Urged the Planning Commission to go a step further and show a publicized map of areas that can't be mined. Document is too tight, too tough, and too hard. Feels the map should be made before the ordinance is approved. Invites anybody to look at his land, he appreciates his land. Don't be so restrictive that they can't do anything with their land.
- Rob & Pl. Dept. - has begun creating map to show areas that will be affected.  
Kevin Kelly - Feels document has nothing to do with A.D. Andrews business but with mining. Stated that the mining ordinance is a good proposal but the only thing he wishes to see is bi-annual inspections instead of yearly inspections.
- Chris Hardee - Dad was a former County Commissioner and helped with the original comprehensive plan. Stated that he would be impacted by the mining ordinance and would like to ask a few questions. What state agencies will affect us? What does state resources mean? Most people don't own the land they have a temporary right of occupancy.
- Krista Kelly - We should define more clearly guidelines for state resources of land. When you think of state resources you usually think of land surrounding water like Manatee Springs.
- Sandy Fink - Planning Commission have done a good job. If we don't control mines now then it will be too late to change later.
- Johnny Hiers - Realtor. Need to look at actual property not just on map to see if it's consistent with surrounding area.
- Karen Fishbaum - Sees both sides. Some people have given mining a bad name, may not be right or fair but something needs to be done to protect land.

The Public Hearing was then closed to the public. The Planning Commission then commented.

- Tommy - Meetings have been advertised in all papers, Surprised that the mining side hadn't been represented earlier. We need to take time to let the mining side state their case. Can you look at Florida Land Use Map and ordinance and tell if mining can be done?
- Susan - Concurring with Tommy on the Ads. Noticed that there was no consistency with from application to application. Tried to stay consistent and fair to everyone who makes an application and is trying to protect everyone's interest. Recommends that we forward the Board of County Commissioners. The Planning Commission has done what they set out for them to do. Florida Land Use Map was made trying to keep land use of mining in mind.

Vaughn - Agrees with everyone. We need to protect land and land owners. Agrees map would make it clear where areas are.  
Rob - Would like the mining industry to submit to him comments/concerns they have. No documents have been submitted by the applicants on the two table items from last months meeting.

Chairman Thompson motioned to approve the document as submitted. Mrs. Haines seconded; motioned carried.

Mrs. Haines motioned to change future meetings to begin at 6:30 p.m. Mr. Lee seconded; motion carried.

Chairman Thompson motioned to make Mr. McCallum the new Chairman. Mrs. Haines seconded; motion carried. Mrs. Haines motioned to make Mr. Pollock the new Vice Chairman, Mr. Lee seconded; motion carried.

There being no further business for the Levy County Planning Commission Public Hearing Mrs. Haines motioned to adjourn. Mr. Lee seconded the motion; motion carried.

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Chairman