

Proceedings of Village of Franklin  
 Village Council & Planning Commission Special Meeting  
 Wednesday, March 7, 2007, 7:00 p.m.  
 Franklin Village Hall – Broughton House  
 32325 Franklin Road, Franklin, Michigan 48025

**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by President Jahnke at 7:15 p.m. at the Franklin Village Hall, Franklin, Michigan.

**II. Roll Call**

Present: Mark Jahnke, Fred Gallasch, Alan Harnisch, Bill Lamott

Absent: Brian Coyer, Dominick Schiano, Randy McElroy

Also Present: Jon Stoppels, Administrator  
 Eileen Pulker, Clerk

**III. Call to Order**

The meeting was again called to order by Planning Commission Chairman Jim Stevens, at 7:15 p.m.

**IV. Roll Call**

Present: Jim Stevens, Al Beke, Mary Hepler, Mike Hoyt, Pam Hansen, Brian Hughes, Dean Moenck, Joe Roisman, Bruce Blanton

Jahnke began the meeting by outlining the procedure for the meeting, during which the Village Council and Planning Commission members were divided into three (3) groups to develop a listing of items to prioritize for implementation.

The following are the recommendations of the three groups.

<u>Implementation Task</u>	<u>Responsibility</u>	<u>Time Frame</u>	<u>Rating</u>		
			A	B	C
<i>Village Center Tasks</i>					
Working through the Main Street program, establish an organization of businesspeople to spearhead the revitalization of the Village center	Planning Commission Administration Businesspeople	0-3 years	1	1	1
Define a vision for the Village Center, as well as a program for revitalization	Planning Commission, Business and Property Owners, Village Council, Historic District Commission	0-3 years	1	1	NR
Develop a coordinated parking plan for the Village Center	Planning Commission, Planning and Engineering Consultants	4-10 years	5	3	4
Develop public and private lighting standards for the Village Center	Planning Commission, Business and Property Owners, Village Council, Historic District Commission	0-3 years	1	1	1
Relocate utility lines	Administration, Village Attorney,	4-10 years			

underground through the Village Center.	Village Council		4.37	5	2
<i>Historic Preservation Tasks</i>					
Establish historic charter guidelines for public and private signage in the Historic District.	Planning Commission, Historic District Commission	0-3 year	1	1	1
Proactively enforce the architectural and maintenance standards of the Historic District.	Building Official, Historic District Commission	Ongoing	1	1	NR
Provide residents with information on restoring historic properties.	Planning Commission, Historic District Commission	0-3 years	1	1	1
Educate Franklin officials in preservation techniques and zoning.	Planning Commission, Historic District Commission	Ongoing	NR	1	1
Establish site and landscape design guidelines for the Historic District.	Planning Commission, Historic District Commission, Planning Consultant	0-3 years	2	2	4

<i>Natural Resource Preservation Tasks</i>			A	B	C
Develop design guidelines for private property owners in managing their properties to protect natural resources	Planning Commission , Historic District Commission, Planning Consultant	0 - 3 years	1	3	3
Perform regular maintenance and inspection of trees and vegetation.	Consultant Arborist	On-going	1	1	1
Develop educational materials for landowners regarding proper tree and vegetation management	Administration Arborist	0 – 3 years	2	3	2
Continue, and if feasible, expand the coordinated planting and replacement program for Village vegetation.	Administration	On-going	1	1	1
Develop corridor plans to preserve scenic rural character along major roadways.	Planning Commission, Planning Consultant	0 – 3 year	NR	1	3
<i>Open Space and Neighborhood Tasks</i>					
Pursue land conservancies and donation of land to augment open space	Planning Commission, administration, Village Attorney	On-going	3	5	5
Continue to work with neighborhood associations to update and enforce deed restrictions.	Planning Commission	On-going	3	2	2
Review the Zoning Ordinance for compatibility with the updated Master Plan, including completing contextual zoning regulation and zoning to protect Village character.	Planning Commission, Planning Consultant	0 – 3 year	1	3	1
Create master landscape and recreating plans with guidelines for maintaining rural character throughout the Village.	Planning Commission, Planning Consultant	0 – 3 years	5	3	2

Ensure that Planning Commissioners have training in land use planning and zoning	Planning Commission	On-going	1	1	1
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<i>Infrastructure Tasks</i>			A	B	C
Develop a unified street and public facility sign system, particularly for the Village Center	Planning Commission Historic District Commission	0 – 3 years	1	1	1
Construct pathways throughout the Village and safe pedestrian crossings along major roads in the Village	Planning Commission, Administration, Oakland County Road Commission	On-going	1	1	1
Implement methods to limit speeds on Village roadways	Administration, Police Department, Oakland County Road Commission	0 – 3 year	5	5	5
<i>Miscellaneous Tasks</i>					
Upgrade the Village web site	Administration	0 – 3 years	2	2	1

**V. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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 Eileen H. Pulker  
 Village Clerk

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 Mark W. Jahnke  
 Village President