

**PLANNING & POLICY COMMITTEE**

**Approved Minutes**

DATE: January 8, 2009

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: Fillmore Street Complex

PRESENT: Roger Rycenga, Dennis Swartout, Matthew Hehl, Jane Ruiter, Philip Kuyers

STAFF & GUESTS: Alan Vanderberg, Administrator; Greg Rappleye, Corporation Counsel; John Scholtz, Parks & Recreation Director; Keith Van Beek, Assistant Administrator, Sherri Sayles, Deputy Clerk; June Hagan, Fiscal Services Director

SUBJECT: CONSENT ITEMS

Approve by consent the Agenda of today as presented and to approve by consent the Minutes of the December 11, 2008, meeting as presented.

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF THE 2009 PLANNING & POLICY VICE-CHAIRPERSON

PP 09-001 Motion: To appoint Matthew Hehl as Vice-Chairperson of the Planning and Policy Committee for 2009.  
Moved by: Rycenga UNANIMOUS

SUBJECT: PLANNING & POLICY COMMITTEE SCHEDULE FOR 2009

PP 09-002 Motion: To approve the Planning & Policy Committee schedule for 2009 as the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month at 9:30 a.m.  
Moved by: Ruiter UNANIMOUS

SUBJECT: PARK LAND PINE PLANTATION MANAGEMENT TIMBER CUTTING

PP 09-003 Motion: To receive bids and approve award of the contract to the high bidder, Biewer Sawmill, Inc., at \$46.00 per cord for red pine timber sales at Robinson Forest, Hiawatha Forest, Van Buren Dunes and Hemlock Crossing.  
Moved by: Hehl UNANIMOUS

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Closed Session to discuss Property Acquisitions.

PP 09-004 Motion: To go into a Closed Session at 9:36 a.m. to discuss Property Acquisitions.  
Moved by: Swartout UNANIMOUS

Yeas: Mr. Kuyers, Mrs. Ruiter, Messrs. Hehl, Swartout, Rycenga. (5)

PP 09-005 Motion: To rise from Closed Session at 9:50 p.m.  
Moved by: Swartout UNANIMOUS

2. The Administrator reported there was a letter to the editor in the Holland Sentinel regarding the County buying Park land. Holland Sentinel did a follow-up interview with John Scholtz and the person who wrote the letter. The follow-up article was not favorable. The Parks Commission will be writing a letter to the Holland Sentinel explaining their long-term goals.

SUBJECT: ADJOURNMENT

PP 09-006 Motion: To adjourn at 9:52 a.m.  
Moved by: Kuyers UNANIMOUS