



PLAN FOR PLANNING COMMITTEE (P4P)

Minutes of Work Meeting

January 18, 2011, - 8:00 am at Teton County Courthouse

In attendance: Shawn Hill, Brett Cooke, Aaron Driggs, Sal Lazalde, Darryl Johnson, Kevin Owyang

Staff: Angie Rutherford (recorder), Teton County Planner

Also in attendance: none

Discussion and Action: Shawn Hill, Chairman of the P4P Committee, opened the meeting.

Minutes: Mr. Cooke moved to approve the minutes from the January 4, 2011 meeting. Mr. Driggs seconded and all were in favor.

Comp Plan Committee: Ms. Rutherford showed the proposed volunteer application and described how all volunteers would be required to apply, and the P4P would use the applications to ensure equal representation on each subcommittee. Mr. Hill stated he had added the question about planning philosophy, but wanted the committee's opinion whether that question is too loaded. Mr. Cooke agreed it was a "lightning rod" and all agreed to remove it. Mr. Cooke commented that we don't want to turn anybody down who has agreed to volunteer and if the committees were "full" would we be able to find roles for all people. Mr. Hill mentioned the "overflow" could be accommodated with the watchdog positions or those people could commit to attend 3-5 public meetings. Or, there could be a "pool" of volunteers to help with logistics. Mr. Cooke would like to recruit/select subcommittee members and ask them to apply and use the overflow for other roles. Mr. Cooke would like to approach people directly because he feels the P4P can get a better diversity of viewpoints that way than relying on people to volunteer on their own. Mr. Cooke would not want to approach someone about being on a subcommittee who was not ensured a position on it. Mr. Hill asked what the group thought Ms. Wilson would think and it was broadly agreed that she would want the process to be as inclusive as possible and that "hand selecting" the committees might give the impression of exclusion. Mr. Johnson suggested striking the section of subcommittee choice from the application so that everybody could volunteer but that there was no impression that people would be volunteering specifically for a subcommittee. Mr. Cooke recommended getting the application out for "general volunteers". In the mean time, the P4P would recommend two names per subcommittee by next Friday 1/28 to Ms. Rutherford and at the Feb. 1st meeting, the group would assemble the subcommittees. Mr. Owyang wanted to make sure that there was transparency and clearly articulated statements about what people are applying for when they are filling out the application. Mr. Driggs mentioned that an important part of this process is for the community to come together and have discussions about our future and to understand each other. This needs to be a community discussion. Mr. Hill recommended that the P4P will pick people for the subcommittees, but everybody who wants to be involved can be involved in the process as a whole. In regards to the stipends for some volunteers, Mr. Cooke stated

that he has a problem paying for “volunteer time”. Mr. Hill agreed that it will be difficult to pay only certain members of the committee. Mr. Hill suggested that paying a stipend would help overcome issues people may have with volunteering – such as the time commitment or the workload – particularly if it were paid to key players, like sub-committee chairmen. Mr. Owyang said that if people have those issues it is unlikely the stipend would overcome them because the stipend is so small. The stipend discussion was tabled.

Economic Development/Property Rights: Ms. Rutherford stated she had received some comments that the Economic Development/Property Rights subcommittee seemed an odd match and that perhaps property rights would be better in a different subcommittee. Mr. Driggs wanted to keep them together as the property rights issue is a economic issue for most people. The committee agreed.

Volunteer Recruitment: Ms. Wilson had emailed Ms. Rutherford that she is concerned about recruiting volunteers in a “business as usual” way and would like to see something more creative than the document presented in the packets for recruiting.

Event: Mr. Hill asked the question, Is the event to showcase the survey results or is it to initiate recruitment of volunteers? The committee answered that it is for both. Mr. Cooke asked if we need to do an event. Mr. Hill stated that 10% involvement is a pretty big deal and we should showcase that and then ask for volunteers. He recommended an open house-type event at the Courthouse or City Hall. Mr. Owyang suggested an interactive event that articulated the reason that the comp plan process is valuable. Mr. Cooke said the goals of the meeting should be to display the results of the survey and to get people excited about the process. He recommended hanging quotes from the survey around a room as a “live letters to the editor”. Have people browse through them to see what their neighbors are thinking. That part would be followed by a short presentation asking people to volunteer and there would also be a chance for questions. Mr. Owyang recommended that the BOCC adopt a non-binding resolution to adopt the recommendations from the community as articulated in this process. He also recommended the message that neither extreme should be represented in the Plan- and for that we need viewpoints. It was also recommended that the commissioners attend the event and be given a short time to speak.

RFP: A final review of the RFP was discussed. It was decided that more bonus points should be available and that they should apply to either of both the written proposal and the interview.

P4P Subcommittees: Mr. Hill mentioned the P4P has two additional tasks to complete: 1. Select a consultant, 2. Create the volunteer committees. He asked if the P4P would like to form subcommittees to tackle each of these tasks. Mr. Cooke stated he would miss the input from the entire diversity of the group. It was decided to not form subcommittees.

Next Meeting: The next meeting was scheduled for Feb. 1st at 8am in the Courthouse.

Adjourn: Mr. Cooke made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Driggs seconded it and all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Angie Rutherford