

Minutes: May 1, 2001

Members Present: Kelly Rogers, Julia Compagna, Kevin Lane, Sam Guy

Members Absent: Bruce Tomlinson, Stephen Jennings, Bill Henchey

Guests: Dave Pelletier, Garrett Hirschak

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 by Sam Guy.

Dave Pelletier, LCPC Senior Transportation Planner, provided the Committee with an update on projects he is working on relative to transportation in Lamoille County.

Garrett Hirschak met with the Committee to discuss development options at Waja Farms (a property that he is considering purchasing). There are two types of business that he is considering locating at Waja Farm - mini-storage and light-industry. Under current bylaws, neither type of business may exist at this site. With respect to mini-storage, he was informed the no decision regarding this usage could be made until regulations governing mini-storage were clarified. With respect to light industry, there was a preliminary discussion of issues including transportation, septic, etc. Grant was informed that the Committee would discuss Waja Farm's usage in detail at it's next full meeting (the 1st June meeting) with a realistic timeframe for decision being 150 days.

The Committee then turned its attention to the issue of Mini-storage zoning and the "mysterious" manner in which zoning regulations pertaining to Mini-storage usage were changed. Ken Sweetser was rebuked for revisions to zoning regulations which did not reflect the Committee's will and were unsupported by the record (ie minutes). Ken was informed that this was but the most recent occurrence of an event which undermines the Committees' credibility and that future occurrences will not be tolerated.

The Committee then reviewed, but did not accept, proposed changes definitions of Community Facility and Convenience Store. Changes to these definitions will be discussed in a future meeting. (The issue for Community Facility is the retail aspect. For Convenience Store, the issue is retail sale of vehicular fuel).