

BOUNDARY COMMISSION
ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI
MEETING MINUTES

January 25, 2011

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Bob Ford, Thomas Freesmeier, Frank Ollendorff, Bill Sauerwein, John Schuster, Kathleen Schweitzer, and Don Wojtkowski. Commissioners Absent: Jack Schwartz

Commission Staff Present: Michelle Dougherty, Executive Director, David Hamilton, Legal Counsel.

Others present: Lori Fiegel, St. Louis County Planning Department, Ron Veach, City of Florissant

Chairman Schuster called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m., January 25, 2011. The meeting was held in the 8th Floor Conference Room, 41 S. Central in Clayton, MO 63105.

ROLL IS CALLED – QUORUM DECLARED

Roll was called and a quorum declared by Mr. Hamilton.

APPROVE AGENDA

Mr. Sauerwein made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Wojtkowski seconded the motion. Voice vote: Ayes, All. Nays, None. *The motion passed.*

APPROVE MINUTES

Mr. Ford made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Ollendorff seconded the motion. Voice vote: Ayes, All. Nays, None. *The motion passed.*

REPORTS

Staff Report

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ron Veach, Director of Parks & Recreation for the City of Florissant asked the Commission to approve Florissant's Area 13 proposal (BC1001) and send it to the voters.

NEW BUSINESS

A. 2011 Committee Appointments

Appointments for 2011 Boundary Commission Appointments:

Budget – Bill Sauerwein (Chair), Frank Ollendorff, Jack Schwartz

Personnel – John Schuster (Chair), Tom Freesmeier, Bill Sauerwein

Nominating Committee – Don Wojtkowski (Chair), Kathy Schweitzer, Tom Freesmeier

OLD BUSINESS

A. BC1001 – Florissant “Area 13”

Discussion regarding BC1001 proposal began with a review of the Summary of Decision from BC0802 Area 13 from August 2009. Chairman Schuster outlined the top concerns

from that proposal and the reasons it was rejected. 1) No one from the targeted area indicated their support for or their opposition to the proposal. 2) The Financial impact on Florissant was significant and whether Florissant would be able to deliver services throughout the city. 3) Geographic boundaries were not logical in that they jumped Lindbergh to include the driving range.

Several commissioners indicated during the discussion that they felt Florissant had resolved the issues from the previous proposal and stated they would vote in favor of approving the proposal and sending it to the voters. Commissioners who spoke against the proposal brought up their concerns over Florissant's financial situation and their questions as to why the city would want to expand in this economic climate. They felt it did not pass the best interest test and would not be in the best interest of the city, the targeted area nor the county.

Mr. Hamilton reviewed the Boundary Commission rules regarding the number of affirmative votes needed to approve the motion. He reminded the Commission that if the motion fails to garner 6 affirmative votes, the motion does not pass and the proposal remains on the agenda.

Mr. Ollendorff made a motion to Approve BC1001 Area 13 and send it to the election authority. Mr. Sauerwein seconded the motion.

Roll Call

Bob Ford – No

Thomas Freesmeier – Yes

Frank Ollendorff – Yes

Bill Sauerwein – Yes

John Schuster – Yes

Kathleen Schweitzer – No

Don Wojtkowski – No

Per the Boundary Commission rules a motion to approve or reject a proposal passes with six affirmative votes. Failing to garner six affirmative votes this *motion does not pass* and BC1001 remains on the agenda.

B. BC1002 – Valley Park Equestrian Area

Chairman Schuster stated that he would like to discuss this at February's meeting.

C. BC1003 – Valley Park Unincorporated Pocket

During the discussion the question was asked if anyone from the unincorporated pocket spoke at the public hearing or if they had submitted any public comments. Chairman Schuster stated that there had been none although there were residents in the audience.

Mr. Ford made a motion to Approve BC1003 Valley Park Unincorporated Pocket and send it to the election authority. Mr. Sauerwein seconded the motion.

Roll Call

Bob Ford – Yes

Thomas Freesmeier – Yes
Frank Ollendorff – Yes
Bill Sauerwein – Yes
John Schuster – Yes
Kathleen Schweitzer – Yes
Don Wojtkowski – Yes

Per the Boundary Commission rules a motion to approve or reject a proposal passes with six affirmative votes. *The motion passes* with seven affirmative votes.

D. BC1004 – Grantwood Village “Area B”

Chairman Schuster reminded those present that they are scheduled to review BC1002 at February’s meeting and BC1004 in March. He also reminded the group about the importance of their attendance at the meetings. Mr. Sauerwein stated he felt it was important that the Commission continue to revisit BC1001 and to either approve it or reject it and not just let it die.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Sauerwein made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Ollendorff seconded the motion. Voice vote: Ayes, All. Nays, None. *The motion passed.* The meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Dougherty
Executive Director

Approved: February 22, 2011