Staff: Michele Reed, Liz Boyles, Kate Miller, Lynnette Lynes
Others: Joel Evans and Andrea Melocik, Charleston County Planning
David Niesse, Mount Pleasant Waterworks

Ms. Boyles called the meeting to order at 9:15 am.

1. Public Comment

Ms. Whitley introduced herself and gave a brief history of why the Task Force was established.

The Task Force introduced themselves.

2. Housekeeping items

Ms. Boyles reviewed the meeting format with the Task Force.

*The Task Force agreed that appointment of a chairman should be deferred to the next meeting.*

3. Background information

Ms. Boyles reviewed existing plans and ordinances that are currently in place with the Task Force.

4. Identification of Future discussion topics

Ms. Boyles discussed future topics with the Task Force. They suggested the following:

- Drainage – 10 Mile and Hamlin
- SCDOT – drainage & ditches
- Dirt roads – 7 Mile
➢ Public Sewer
➢ Community Center upkeep & services – Ten Mile – maintenance dollars - not qualify for PPA
➢ CDBG funding not coming into these communities
➢ 10 lane road through 7 Mile
➢ Grants for water & sewer
➢ Developers should hire local workers
➢ Hearing versus Listening
➢ Flooding – maintenance
➢ New homes much more expensive
➢ Community benefit agreements with developer/neighborhood
➢ Background information on available funding - process, budgets – how to get into the system, grant writing/economic development
➢ Land Use – heirs property to subdivide/use for family homes
➢ Water & sewer – run through communities, but no tie in for communities
➢ Housing trends – settlements not like typical subdivisions – family / know each other
➢ No turnover/renewal like subdivisions – in maintenance mode
➢ Need to define “preserve”
➢ Land rich, cash poor – figure out how the land can work for us
➢ Taxes rising, especially hard on elderly
➢ settlement community property having an agriculture valuation – Sen Scott
➢ Heirs property issues
➢ Land use & Value – white versus black neighborhoods – improving banking relationship - “Over-improvement for neighborhood” - redlining
➢ No 8’ fences in communities
➢ Homestead Exemption – education
➢ Legacy for children – help them stay here – discount; space in communities
➢ Accessory Dwellings – supposed to be for affordable housing, but being used by developers /residents to be able to afford their house payments – Redlining also kicks in here – applies to all types of loans
➢ MPW – if have sewer, easier to use family land
➢ Need to be able to do duplexes and triplexes
➢ “affordable housing” – cost is too high
➢ Education needed – how to use their own land; because impact fees – too expensive to build – especially with redlining problems
➢ Zoning differences – lot size
➢ Self-determining within the communities
➢ Rehab houses in settlement communities
➢ Town approves projects even if the community comes out against it.
➢ Notification to communities of development activities
➢ Snowden – 1989 Phase 1 Sewer grant- no annexation required; now Phase 2 requires annexation. Why?
➢ Economic development opportunities within communities
➢ Market-like area similar to downtown

5. **Future schedule and meeting times**

The Task Force discussed when meetings should be scheduled.

*The Task Force agreed that the 2nd Thursday at 4 pm should be scheduled for meetings.*

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:06 am.

Submitted by,
L. Lynes
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