

AMSTERDAM/CHURCHILL PLANNING GROUP

Minutes of December 12, 2010

ATTENDEES: Tim Van Dam, Cindy Elliot, Brendan Byers, Walt Sales, Warren Vaughn, Leroy Logterman, Jim Potts, Brent Sinnema, Dean Sybesma

BUSINESS:

- Introductions and rumor mill
- Quorum was met: Yes
- Excused absence: Gail Weidenaar, Ashley Jones
- Minutes approved for 11/16/10-yes
- Committee reports: Treasurer- Working on non-profit status, received the gap grant of \$5000.
- Sewer/ Water- no report
- Sidewalk- Warren discussed Safe Routes to Schools program and our upcoming community meeting on December 14th. We reviewed info given from the meeting with both the local schools. We can submit a grant from Safe Routes to Schools for infrastructure and educational purposes, teacher training, and promotion of walking in the community. Cindy Elliot shared some concerns about getting backing from CTA for sidewalks/trails, ongoing farming and trails and coordinating with the platted plans that are on the property. CTA is not too open to a walkway over their property until they are ready to develop the property. Warren and Walt to meet with Amsterdam School. Tim reviewed pros and cons to building sidewalk phase one on north and south sides of the road. Discussed problem areas of traffic flow and pedestrian flow. We need community support to address problems so that problems like the intersection of Churchill and Amsterdam roads do not happen again. We discussed timeline of the two grants ie. Safe Routes to School and CTEP funds. We continued discussion for the meeting of December 14. Walt to open the meeting, Warren to talk about community goals and values, CTEP funds and Safe Routes to School grant. Tim to talk about actual sidewalk of phase one and discuss pros and cons of building the sidewalk on the north and south side.

NEXT MEETING: January 11, 2011 7:00

MEETING ADJOURNED