

**CECIL COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
 AGRICULTURE, PRESERVATION and MINERALS (APM) SUBCOMMITTEE
 MEETING MINUTES
 December 11, 2008**

Member	Present
Diana Broomell	X
Shawn Day	X
Sandra Edwards	X
Phyllis Kilby	
Daniel Polite	X
Vic Priapi (Vice Chair)	
Owen Thorne (Chair)	X
John Bennett	
Donna Deckard	
Robert Hodge	X
Rupert Rossetti	X

Call to Order – Thursday, December 11, 2008 at 6:35 p.m., at Cecil College, North East Campus Administrative Building, first floor conference room.

Old Business - Review and update list of draft of APM Goals dated 9/17/08. Also reviewed COC Aligned Goals dated 12/10/08 drafted by Diane Lane. She looked at the various goals of the subcommittees to see where the areas of commonality are and them into 5 areas. At the end of each of goals there are initials which represent the subcommittees. 75% of the goals are listed in here and the other 25% were too directed. List is only for information purposes. Diane Lane will provide the other 25% later. Some are in conflict. Two biggest areas are in infrastructure and preservation.

Chairman Thorne: We will focus on our list and discuss changes or additions. We'll start in the middle of the first page at "Protect, preserve and promote our sustainable agriculture, agribusiness & forest products industries.

On #7 change to - Protect, preserve and sustain at least 80% of remaining agricultural and forested land outside the designated growth areas. This creates adopted goal #9.

Unanimously adopted. It will be added to our adopted goals list.

#15. Already adopted

#17. Already adopted.

#18. Last sentence becomes a bullet point under #4 of adopted goals: Delegate responsibility for maintaining open space and hold those responsible for failure to do so.

#23. Skip over it

#28. “Identify and create additional funding sources for preservation.” Place under #3 of adopted goals another bullet. Also change under #3 to “Maximize participation in land conservation and preservation programs, including but not limited to MALPH, Rural Legacy, Program Open Space, Forest Legacy and Federal programs.”

#33. Change #2 of adopted goals to “Discourage the rezoning of rural property for anything other than value added agricultural related enterprises. Identify and protect our agricultural and forested lands and encourage sustainable agribusiness and other resource based industries by including value added agricultural enterprise in the zoning code.”

Now reviewing the top of the first page of the Draft Goals (9/17/08) which is entitled “Limit projected population increase using land use planning, zoning, regulation 7 taxing tools.”

Remove the heading (*italics*)

Strike #1

#2. Change on #3 to say Restrict growth in no growth areas by:
Encourage high density development in the growth corridor.
Providing infrastructure.
Promote fast track permitting.
Through minimum allowable densities.

Next Meeting: January 15, 2009 at 6:30 p.m., Cecil College, Technology Building Room 205.

Focus on next meeting. Mineral Extraction conversion, green infrastructure, create new land use responsibilities for county government, and provide adequate staffing.

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.