



**FANA Board Meeting  
March 3, 2016  
Minutes**

**Attendance:** Franny Aprile, Ed Carter, Andrew Hartmans, Carol Hurst, Harrell Hurst, Cindy Siders, Bert Stocker, Lia Vassiliades, Karen Waters (for Chip Miller) and Susan Weihe. Also in attendance: Mike Farmer, Jeff Franks, and Kathy Tobaben.

**Welcome & Introductions**

Karen Waters, Homestead Trace was introduced. She and her husband designed the FANA logo and several others currently used on our T-shirts.

Harrell expressed appreciation to the members for their efforts. The group has made a lot of progress in the last eight weeks. Accomplishments include retaining counsel, launching a new interactive website, attending several key meetings and most importantly, halting the logging on the Logan property.

**Updates**

*Logging* – Following several indications by adjacent property owners that logging was occurring on the CbtP site, perhaps within the restricted Floyds Fork District Review Overlay (DRO), RR zoned portion of the property, Steve Porter was contacted. Aerial photographs, taken on behalf of FANA, revealed extensive logging had been occurring within the DRO, in violation of the Land Development Code. Steve contacted P&D on several occasions and the logging operations were halted pending further investigation. The photographs are available at the FANA website. On February 29, Jim Bruggers published an article about the violation in the Courier Journal.

*Department of Highways* – Bert talked with Matt Bullock, Chief District Engineer and reported the following:

- Covington by the Park (CbtP) proposal - The developer must submit a traffic study, which the DOH will approve or make recommendations such as turning lanes and traffic signals, etc.
- Other projects – DOH has submitted a proposed road plan to the General Assembly, which includes: improved ramps at I64 and 265, they are ready to procure right-of-way if funded; widen 265 from I71 to Taylorsville Rd.; and study and design of a multi-use pathway along Taylorsville Road from 265 to The Parklands entrance at Pope Lick Road. Not included in the plan is a request to widen Taylorsville Road from 265 to Fisherville.

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*Parklands of Floyds Fork* – Bert and Harrell met with Scott Martin, Director to discuss the proposed CbtP development. In other matters, Scott stated there would be no farmers market this year. Additional parking areas to accommodate the growing crowd will be evaluated after the remaining areas of the park are opened.

*Metro Louisville Planning and Design (Metro Employees)* - Bert, Harrell and John met with Jim Mims, Director Develop Louisville, Emily Liu, Director Planning and Design and Brian Davis, P&D case manager for CbtP. Angela Webster, Legislative Assistant District 20 arranged the meeting and also attended.

John, Harrell and Bert shared information about FANA and our concerns with CbtP. They related significant problems with traffic and the need for road improvements, logging in the protected Floyds Fork Overlay District and loss of tree canopy, and a lack of an overall comprehensive design to address development and infrastructure in this part of the county that will come with sewer extensions.

In summary, the response was: P&D doesn't make judgments, but ensures that proposals meet the rules and regulations; the developers will be required to submit a standard R4 layout for comparison to a conservation subdivision design; MSD is doing a Recapture Study (of cost) for the southeastern part of the county; the previous Floyds Fork Area Study doesn't apply because it wasn't approved; and, a new Greenway Study is now being considered, supported by 21<sup>st</sup> Century Parks.

Angela noted that Stuart Benson has been promoting improvements to the intersection of Pope Lick Road and Taylorsville Road on many occasions.

*Other* – Jeff Frank reported on conversations with the Kentucky Division of Water and the Kentucky Waterways Alliance. He provided an update on the status of the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) study. Jeff reviewed MSD plans for expansion, capacity, the recapture study and pollutant load on Floyds Fork. If sewer extensions are approved, which they are expected to be, it will enable the construction of CbtP and extensive development in the Fisherville area.

*Goals and Expectations* – These reports generated discussion about FANA's goals and expectations regarding CbtP. Harrell reviewed current zoning of the property, the regulations regarding conservation subdivisions, the request for rezoning for commercial construction and building in the DRO. It was stated by several members that current regulations in Jefferson County are very conducive to building and development such as the one proposed. Members made suggestions about how to challenge the rezoning application, protection of the DRO and lack of penalties for the logging of trees in that area.

### **Resolution from Home Owner Associations**

Members who represent Home Owner Associations were urged to talk with their HOA and to encourage signing of a resolution formally stating FANA's position. Steve Porter prepared the resolution and indicated that it is essential that we gain support. If there are questions or additional information is needed, please contact Harrell. Several members volunteered to contact HOAs with no one in attendance.

Lia reported that Hunt Country Estates has signed the HOA. Dunbar Springs has also approved. Other members reported that discussions are ongoing. Some had questions about liability. Harrell had consulted with our counsel about this concern. Steve indicated there should be no problem related to the

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resolution as it simply states our position. Members, HOAs or anyone might be considered liable if they make false or slanderous statements.

### **Planning and Design Timeline**

The process of approval for the application filed on January 11 is long and complex. We are in the pre-application stage, which can last for up to one year. There will be requests for information, such as traffic studies, a community meeting called by the CbtP developer and a hearing by the Planning Commission. Metro Council will make the final vote.

It will be important for FANA to recruit large numbers of people to attend these meetings and hearings. In addition, letters of opposition may be submitted to Brian Davis, P&D Case Manager via email at [biran.davis@louisvilleky.gov](mailto:biran.davis@louisvilleky.gov). A template letter will be drafted for those who may want to use it. A petition, stating our position may also be considered at a later date. Angela Webster has advised us that we should not contact Stuart or any Councilperson directly or they may not be able to vote on the case. Any questions may be directed to her, she is very helpful.

### **Website and Communications**

Cindy reported that we have received many new members and numerous donations. A number of comments, all in opposition, have also been submitted. Cindy placed an ad with Facebook for several zip codes in the Fisherville area. Harrell expressed appreciation to Cindy for her work in developing the new web page, which includes maps, photos and interactive functions.

### **Financial Report and Funding**

Lia gave the financial report, including receipts from membership dues and donations. Hunt Country Estates made a generous donation. Significant individual donations by Franny Aprile and Sheila Mead were also acknowledged.

Harrell informed the group of the estimate for legal fees. So far, counsel has been instrumental in halting the logging and representing FANA's position with Jim Bruggers.

### **Next Steps**

Carol encouraged the group to continue their efforts to add names to the email list, ask people to submit letters of opposition and to obtain the support of their HOA for the Resolution.

### **Election**

Sheila Mead has resigned as Secretary, indicating that she was unable to fulfill those duties at this time. Carol Hurst was nominated and elected to the position.

No further meetings were scheduled at this time. Communications will be through email, phone, website and newsletters. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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