

**Minutes**  
**Plan Commission**  
**Special Meeting**  
**August 29, 2016**

**Members Present:** Brad Czebotar, Bruce Fischer, Kate Barrett, Dan Kolk, Jeff Sorenson

**Members Absent:** Cathy Kirby, Ron Berger

**Staff Present:** Pauline Boness, Karen Knoll

**Others Present:** Mark Roffers, MDRoffers and Associates; Clair Utter

1. **Call to order.** Chair Czebotar called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. **Discussion – Review of the update of the Villages Comprehensive Plan with planning consultant Mark Roffers.**

Mark Roffers of MDRoffers and Associates gave a brief review of items covered at the August 15, 2016 Plan Commission meeting. Roffers reviewed the initiatives as included in the memo dated August 8, 2016 included in packets. When Commissioners come back in a few months they will be asked to prioritize all of the initiatives for the Comprehensive Plan update. They need to consider what they would like to focus on in the next 3 – 7 years, with shorter term items to advance the vision. Roffers reviewed what an initiative is, implementation tables with priorities and the type of format he will be using, along with including hyperlinks so those accessing it will be able to get where they wish to quickly.

Roffers showed Commissioners the New Glarus update as a baseline example. Chapters will be reorganized as the project nears closure.

Key items brought up:

- Intergovernmental agreements
- Farming as a short or mid -term use to be embraced in McFarland
- Development of a new business park
- Developing a traffic plan along with working with new bike path
- Downtown revitalization, incentives for façade improvements
- Parks

Roffers presented and reviewed items including potential initiatives and proactive steps the Village may want to take or encourage over the next 5 – 10 years. The plan included some

items from the 2006 Comprehensive Plan along with new ideas based on the meetings which were held. The next step will be a Village Board meeting, with a shorter update. Roffers anticipates a draft to be out by the end of October with the plan being adopted in early 2017.

**3. Public Comments**

No Comments

**4. Adjournment –**

Barrett moved to adjourn, Sorenson seconded the motion, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Approved