

Stable Community subcommittee 12-30-2013

Dec. 30, 2013, Riverland Energy Community room 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Attending: Cristeen Custer, Sarah Slaby, Sherry Rhoda and Facilitator Catherine Emmanuelle

Absent: Paul Winey

Ms. Rhoda called the meeting to order at 3:33 p.m.

Open meeting law requirements were met.

Motion to adopt the agenda by Ms. Slaby and second by Ms. Custer

Motion to approve the minutes of Nov. 25 meeting by Ms. Slaby and second by Ms. Custer

Update:

Ms. Emmanuelle announced that she had arranged for a UWEC Sociology intern to assist with research. She is waiting for final word from Extension.

Ms. Rhoda noted that UWEC nursing students were also available to assist with research.

The form for submitting literature was referenced, also the HIA scoping worksheet.

Minutes from the meetings will be sent via email to committee members by Carol Bawek. Members will review the minutes and approve at the next meeting.

The group then worked to establish a draft definition of stable community.

*In a stable community, the demands of society, business, education and natural resources are balanced, while allowing individuals or groups to realize aspirations and satisfy needs and to change or cope with the environment.*

Major research issues and the member responsible for research were identified: (Ms. Emmanuelle will provide expert resources for each topic)

- Recreation & Tourism, including trout streams, hunting, snowmobiling and other activities.(Ms. Slaby)
- Tax Valuation & Equalization (Ms. Rhoda and Ms. Emmanuelle)
- Impact on demographics and populations (Ms. Custer)
- Review of township comprehensive plans in conjunction with stable community definition. (Mr. Winey)

The committee requested Mr. Winey to formulate a health question for providers to determine whether they are experiencing an increase in people presenting with complaints related to their proximity to mines.

**Committee assignment:** Each member is to draft their proposed questions for inclusion on the survey that will be sent to households near mines. Timeline for finalizing questions follows:

- Each member to submit their proposed questions to Ms. Emmanuelle by **Jan. 6, 2014.**
- Ms. Emmanuelle to compile and return complete list to committee members by **Jan. 10, 2014**
- Committee members to rank questions and return to Ms. Emmanuelle by **Jan. 17, 2014**
- Ms. Emmanuelle to compile final list of questions and send a copy to all committee members by **Jan. 22, 2014.**

Ms. Emmanuelle will ask Carol Bawek to send committee members a blank copy of the HIA Worksheet.

The next meeting will be arranged via email by Ms. Emmanuelle.

Motion to adjourn by Ms. Slaby, second by Ms. Custer