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Mr. Pennell

Thank you for your quick response to my concern. However, I think that haste makes waste, and in this case what will be wasted will be taxpayer dollars. Until an internal review by the county of the comprehensive plan determines what, if any, revisions to the existing plan are required, funds should not be committed to revising the plan. The Virginia code requirement is for the planning board to review the plan to determine if it needs amendment, not to revise it, and the county should comply with the code requirement for review before spending taxpayers dollars on a revision that may not even be needed.

As far as the community opposition to the cluster development on the water strategy you refer to, I would note that that proposal was inconsistent with the existing plan and should have been rejected on that basis. I attended the meeting discussing the cluster development proposal, and came away from that meeting with the definite impression that if the current comprehensive plan would allow such development (which I do not believe it does), then, and only then should it be revised.

Again, I believe that the Board should reconsider spending any taxpayer funds on revisions until after the required planning board review is completed. I'm glad to hear that the Board of Supervisors has never authorized the spending of taxpayer funds on an unnecessary project. Let's keep their record intact by canceling this one.

Thank you - Nick Ferriter

In a message dated 4/29/05 1:09:50 PM, wpennell@lancova.com writes:

Mr. Ferriter –

Thank you for your comments regarding the consulting assistance approved by the Lancaster County Board of Supervisors at its April 28, 2005 meeting. I am responding to your email to Jack Larson since it was the Board of Supervisors which took the action to advertise a Request for Proposals to assist in the revision of the Lancaster County comprehensive plan.

The recent endeavor to develop environmentally friendly cluster development through the use of a planned use development strategy led many Lancaster County citizens to believe that the existing comprehensive plan needed significant updating. The Board of Supervisors is responding to these requests to do a full-scale review and revision of the plan to ensure its compliance with zoning and environmental concerns.

The Board of Supervisors is always cognizant of its use of taxpayer funds. I think I can speak for each member of the board – not one of them has ever authorized the spending of taxpayer funds for a project that he/she believed was unnecessary.

Thanks again for your suggestion. Please feel free to attend the work sessions on the comprehensive plan update.

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