

Fremont Community Cooperative Planning Project
Monday, November 14, 1005

Presentation Times

Tuesday, October 25th – City of Fremont: City Council and Planning Commissioners

Thursday, November 3rd – Dayton Township: 3 Board Members & Several P.C. Members

Tuesday, November 8th – Sheridan Township: Board and Planning Commission (most)

Tuesday, November 8th – Sherman Townships: Planning Commission w/some Board Members

General Presentation Summary

First, I explained the reasons for community-wide cooperative planning and encouraged such efforts. I then walked through the features of the Joint Municipal Planning Act. In most cases, the participants were agreeable and interested in pursuing joint planning and, possibly, regulation (zoning).

CONCERNS Voiced by Participants

- General public (“people out in the township”) won’t understand the value and importance of joint planning and cooperation.
- There is a general concern that the city will try to expand its boundaries or impose growth on the population of the township.
- We need to be clear about how amendments to a joint plan and a joint zoning ordinance would be reviewed and adopted.
- There is a general concern over the equitable sharing of power.
- Sherman Township does not have a history of working with the City of Fremont.
- Farmers of these rural counties may feel that they will lose land.
- There is a perception that the City is “built out” and looking for room to grow.
- There is a concern that the local units will lose autonomy – ending up letting others decide.