

CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING

Monday, March 24, 2008

7:00 pm

Andover Central Park Lodge

Minutes

Members Present: Mayor Ben Lawrence, City Council Members Caroline Hale, Carol Roberts, Kevin Dreiling, Julie Reams, J.R. Jessen and Clark Nelson. Members Present

Others in attendance: Public Works/Community Development Director Les Mangus and Management Assistant Sasha Stiles.

Guests: David Alfaro, Butler County Economic Development Director.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Lawrence.

Call to Order

The Council discussed the possibility of the City of Andover assuming management and liability responsibility and eventual ownership of the BNSF rail corridor that bisects the north end of town. Mr. Alfaro from Butler County Economic Development was present to discuss the subject, including the County’s perspective on the issue. The Council concurred that more public input would be necessary before any decision could be reached. The Governing Body requested that staff send letters to property owners adjacent to the rail corridor inviting them to an informational meeting that will be conducted at the next Council workshop meeting held the 28th of April, 2008. Council also requested that rails to trails and bike path groups be invited to attend the meeting, as well as the City’s parks and trails planners Rice Foster Landscape Architects Planners.

Abandoned BNSF railroad corridor through Andover.

Motion by Kevin Dreiling, seconded by Caroline Hale to adjourn.

Meeting Adjourned

Motion carried 6/0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by
Sasha Stiles
Management Assistant

Approved this 29th day of April, 2008 by the City Council, City of Andover.

Jeffrey K. Bridges, Jr.
City Clerk / Administrator