

**GHENT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
MINUTES**

05 AUGUST 2008

In the absence of Chairman Jim Galvin, Town Attorney Ted Guterman chaired the meeting. The meeting began at 7:04 pm. In attendance were: Pete Nelson, John Fishman, Jim Beal, Gil Raab, Al Wassenhove, (later) Nick Tipple, and consultant Nan Stolzenburg.

Absent were: Kyle Wilber, Larry VanBrunt, Jim Galvin, Phil Trowbridge, Janice Fingar, Jonathan Walters and Aaron Groom.

PUBLIC INPUT

There was no public input.

MINUTES

A motion to accept the minutes of the July 2008 meeting, made by Mr. Wassenhove and seconded by Mr. Beal was unanimously approved by the Committee members.

VISION STATEMENT

Mr. Fishman reported that he, Mr. Mendelson and Mr. Walters were reviewing drafts, specifically the issue of maintaining rural aesthetics while respecting the rights of property owners. Town Attorney Guterman suggested that a final draft be distributed to Committee members a couple of weeks in advance of the September meeting.

REVIEW GOALS, STRATEGIES AND ACTIONS

Goal 10 - Promote Agricultural Activities and Protect Farmlands
Strategies and Actions
(see attached)

OLD BUSINESS

It was agreed to retain completed survey forms until the Ghent Comprehensive Plan Committee has completed its mandate.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:26 pm.