The Dyersburg Municipal Regional Planning Commission met in regular session on Thursday, October 9, 2008 at 10 a.m. in the municipal courtroom.

Chairman Eddie Burks presided with all members present except Commissioner Parr.

Staff present: Brad Davis, Carmen Cupples, Kim Morgan and Gleyn Twilla

Minutes of the September 11, 2008 meeting were approved.

Sign Ordinance

Chairman Burks stated that a comprehensive and all inclusive sign ordinance has been drafted by the Sign Committee. He commended committee members Brian Ramm, Tony Dement and Committee Chairman John Pressler.

Mayor Holden questioned how the ordinance handled "electronic message signs." Chairman Burks stated that electronic message signs would have an eight (8) second static message with a two (2) second change time, keeping in line with "state law" for electronic signs on state highways.

Commissioner Newbill inquired about the enforcement provisions for abandoned and poorly maintained signs.

Mayor Holden asked that copies of the proposed ordinance be readily available to the public.

The sign ordinance was sent to the City Board on a motion by Mayor Holden and Commissioner Dement.

Street Acceptance – Bill Revell

City Engineer Brad Davis stated that the stub out street north of the Bypass in the 700 block of Highway 51 Bypass East has been repaired at its terminus to prevent any future erosion.

Chairman Burks asked why the street did not have a cul-de-sac. He stated that it was standard policy that all new dead end streets have a cul-de-sac to allow the turn around of emergency vehicles.

The Commission instructed Mr. Davis to have the owner construct a cul-de-sac as a requirement of acceptance as a public right-of-way.

Commission Planning

State Planner Kim Morgan told the Commission that immediately following the meeting that she would conduct training on "What is a subdivision and its principal components?"

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

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Gleyn T. Twilla
Director Development Services

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John T. Pressler, Secretary