

**Harrington PDA**  
Minutes for October 20, 2008

The Harrington Public Development Authority met on October 20, 2008 at 5:00pm at the City Hall. Those present were: Wanda Buddrius, Kathy Hoob, Cassandra Pfaffle-Dick, Linda and Charlie Colbert, Patt Meyer, Peter Davenport and Bunny Haugan

President Wanda called the meeting to order. The minutes of the Sept. 9, 2008 meeting were read.

Charlie and Linda Colbert were present to share their ideas about the proposed Community Garden and to tell that the land they farm in the south east corner between Coal Creek Road and Hwy 23 is there to use and plan, organize and design as needed for the garden area. Ideas discussed were:

- 1) Sharing garden plots for those interested in raising produce.
- 2) A corn maze and a pumpkin patch that could be used for field trips for surrounding schools. A petting zoon could also be included.
- 3) A small version of a farmers market where the produce was raised in this garden was envisioned.
- 4) Water would need to be provided. We will contact Scott at the City for information about how this might work.
- 5) Contact Ott Insurance regarding liability insurance for any events held by the PDA.

Peter Davenport shared information he had in regards to a greenhouse. He found some that were being given away if someone dismantled them. They would need to be transported and then rebuilt on the new site. There would be a cost involved in transporting them once they are disassembled. Perhaps there could be grant money available for this type of project. Peter will recontact the owners of the greenhouse and then relay any new information to Wanda.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Peter inquired about the airport idea that has been on the "back burner".

The land near the cemetery had been determined by a study to be the best site. That land is currently in CRP and belongs to Bonnie Talkington.

Peter suggested an informal airport with a grass strip for landing during day light hours would be adequate. There were comments that this air strip could attract golfers or sportsmen interested in hunting or fishing in the area.

The next meeting scheduled for November 17, 2008 at 5:00pm at the City Hall.

The meeting adjourned at 6:29pm.

Bunny Haugan, Secretary