

2006

Annual Report



1957-2007

STARK COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Agency Message

As we celebrate the SCRPC's 50th anniversary, it is only fitting that we honor Congressman Ralph Regula, the SCRPC's first president. His vision and leadership spearheaded the formation of the SCRPC. The agency's primary objective, according to Regula, "To make Stark County a better place in which to live and work," is as relevant today as it was in 1957.

The Stark County Regional Planning Commission was formally organized on January 2, 1957 in conformance with Section 713.21 of the Ohio Revised Code. As stated in the 1958 Annual Report, "The Commission was locally initiated by a group of citizens, business and professional men, city and county government leaders interested in the future of Stark County and the communities in it." Imagine the countless hours it would have taken to convince the various county, city, and village officials to look beyond their political boundaries and pursue a regional approach to planning and problem solving. These early leaders understood that what happened in their communities would affect the future of the entire county.

The agency's early involvement in issues such as uniform house numbering, standardized road naming, subdivision review and township zoning has remained relatively constant. However, the agency has evolved into a diverse multi-disciplinary organization while remaining true to its planning core. Comprehensive planning in Stark County reached a milestone in 1965 when the first General Development Plan was adopted by the SCRPC and embraced by the county's cities and villages. While the plan has been updated to reflect changing conditions and new trends, it continues to guide growth and development.

Through the years, the agency has added, and at times subtracted, various duties and activities based on the needs of our constituents. Our roles in community development, planning administration, transportation planning, and economic development have permitted regional coordination of these planning efforts. Environmental issues such as clean air and water, open space preservation, flood control and wetland protection are crucial to maintaining our quality of life. Balancing environmental protection while promoting economic development requires creativity, problem solving, and targeted public investment. The SCRPC is well positioned to play a significant role in these efforts.

In the next 50 years, the SCRPC will continue to plan for the future, promote governmental cooperation, guide growth and development, and promote conservation and the efficient use of our resources. Thanks to our early leadership, a strong foundation was laid for the agency, and we look forward to meeting the opportunities and challenges that will face our community.



Fred Abraham
President



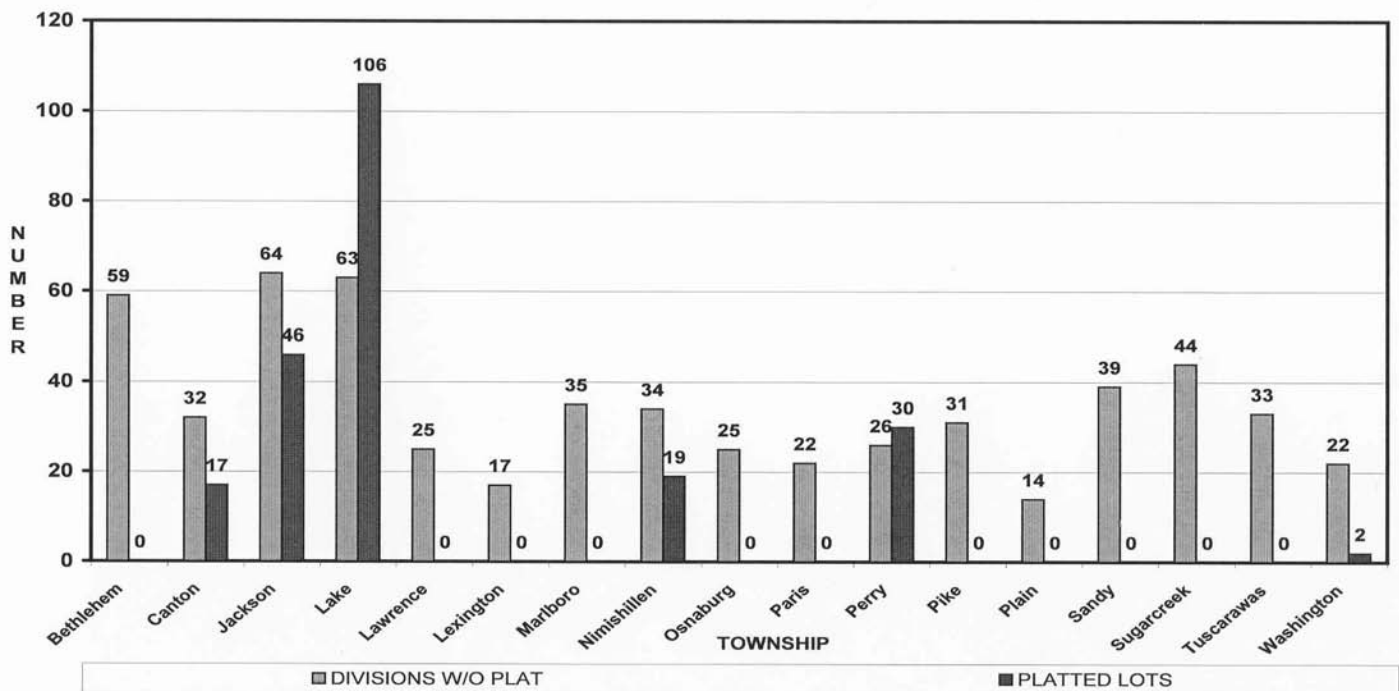
Robert Nau
Executive Director

Planning Administration

Subdivision Review Subcommittee and staff reviewed:

- 156 site plans (commercial, industrial & multifamily uses)
- 585 divisions of property without plat (lot splits)
- 16 preliminary plats
- 17 final plats resulting in:
 - 220 residential lots
 - 1.977 miles of new residential streets

2006 PLATTED LOTS AND DIVISIONS OF PROPERTY WITHOUT PLAT



Subdivision Regulations:

Staff completed a comprehensive revision of the Subdivision Regulations and coordinated reviews by other county departments and agencies, as well as surveyors, auctioneers, engineers, and the BIA

Street Vacations:

Recommendations to the County Commissioners on proposed street vacations

Zoning:

- Reviewed and made recommendations on 35 township amendments
- Assisted Nimishillen, Bethlehem, & Osnaburg Townships with suggestions for possible revisions to their zoning resolutions
- Organized Zoning Inspectors' "Mutual Assistance" meetings

Governmental Law Seminar:

Co-sponsored the seminar with the Stark County Prosecutor;
attended by township, city, and village officials



Subdivision Engineering

- Assisted in preparing Stark County's 2005 Annual Report for the Storm Water Management Program, as required by the Ohio EPA
- Reviewed construction drawings for 12 new allotments
- Reviewed construction drawings for proposed condominium projects as requested from various townships
- Reviewed Partial Mortgage Releases, Bond Releases, Bond Substitutions, Bond Reductions, Recording of Easements, Construction Variances, and Subordination of Mortgages
- Reviewed preliminary plats, final plats, and commercial/industrial site plans
- Provided project coordination & construction contract administration to the Stark County Commissioners for the Zimber Ditch Detention Basins A & B Flood Control Project
- Finalized proposed revisions to the Stark County Subdivision Regulations & assisted in coordinating their review with local engineering firms, BIA, Stark County Prosecutor's Office, Soil & Water, Engineer, construction contractors and the general public
- Supervised the Construction Inspector and provided procedures required for performance of construction inspections
- Addressed questions and changes to construction drawings
- Performed construction inspections for release of the Performance & Maintenance Bonds and coordinated acceptance of the streets & other public improvements

Comprehensive Planning

- Created a Water Quality Toolkit for storm water education for use by individuals, groups and political subdivisions for the Board of Stark County Commissioners
- Distributed the 2030 Comprehensive/Transportation Plan as requested and used it as a planning and educational tool to address issues including land use, transportation, natural resources, housing, population and employment
- Completed the Stark Parks 2006 -2010 Five Year Plan Update
- Served on NEFCO's Cooperative Economic Development Strategy Committee
- Carried out grant writing, administration, and personnel management for The Stock Pile
- Provided oversight to the Recycling Department and assisted with its transition to the Solid Waste District
- Participated on the Board of the Jackson Recycling Station
- Initiated educational articles and presentations on issues such as Farmland Preservation, Wind Energy, Mixed Income Development, and Community Gardening
- Coordinated creation of RPC's new website with other staff and an intern

The Stock Pile

- Completed its eighth year of operation and provided building materials to over 1000 households from 19 counties, and 170 non-profit agencies
 - Diverted 114 tons of reusable materials from landfills (total since opening: 552 tons) and took in over \$82,000 in handling fees, representing over \$300,000 in materials
 - Started Stark County Area Reuse Consortium with Canton Habitat ReStore to educate the public about local reuse opportunities
 - Partially deconstructed several homes and commercial buildings
 - Received donations of building materials from hundreds of companies and individuals
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- Held two "Open House" days and a "One Day Pass" to share the mission of The Stock Pile with the public
 - Continued partnering with the Senior Employment Program (Mature Services Inc.) to provide a supervised worksite for senior citizens

Recycling/Solid Waste

- Administered four grants from the Stark - Tuscarawas-Wayne Joint Solid Waste Management District
- Expanded recycling drop-off program to 25 sites, with a new site in Pike Township
- Increased collected recyclables from 3,980 tons in 2005 to 4,541 tons in 2006
- Increased yard waste collected for composting from 11,043 tons in 2005 to 17,816 tons in 2006
- Contracted with Goodwill Industries for the litter collection program; 10.85 tons of litter were collected
- The Education Specialist made 145 presentations to 9,173 people from Kindergarten to Senior Citizens
- Held eight contests with a total of 6,054 participants
- Participated in 17 educational activities and expos, reaching more than 13,926 people
- 475 volunteers participated in the Stark County CleanUp, collecting 11.46 tons of litter from roadways and stream banks; 1.05 tons were recycled

GIS/Drafting

Projects Completed:

- Revised format of 2030 Plan
- Introduced digital zoning and land use maps for zoning review
- Implemented GIS project with city of North Canton
- Converted zoning maps to new GIS format

GIS Coordination:

GIS coordination is also taking place at the SCRPC in Community Development, Comprehensive Planning and Transportation Departments

GIS Department works closely with the Auditor's office, local jurisdictions, and other county agencies

Drafting:

- Prepared map work, finished artwork and printing to meet the varied needs of the agency
- Maintained files of maps, zoning resolutions and amendments, school districts, etc.
- Printed Planning Progress newsletters, Road to Recycling newsletters, and The Stock Pile newsletters
- Prepared proposed annexation maps for the County Commissioners' hearings



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT – FY '05 (CAPER)

FY '05 CAPER covers the period of July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program

Budget Information

- Total funds available for use - \$4,069,076.23
(FY '05 entitlement grant was \$1,638,193.00)
- Total CDBG funds expended - \$1,666,689.39

81.18% of the CDBG funds expended benefited low- to moderate-income (LMI) persons;
100% of the projects undertaken benefited LMI persons

3 projects were completed:

- Hartville – East Jefferson Street Storm Sewer
- YWCA – “New Beginnings” Geothermal Conversion
- Allenford FEMA Project – Phase I

6 projects were in progress

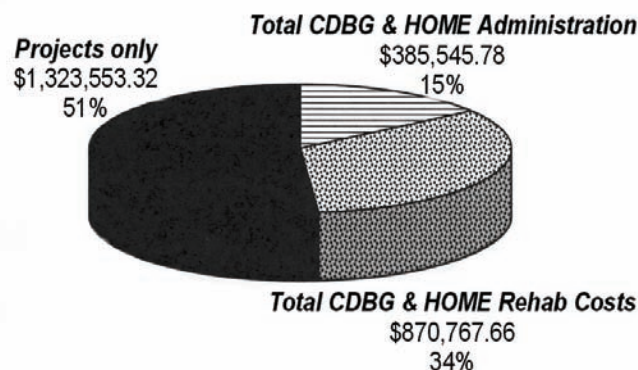
10 Public Service projects utilized CDBG funding to benefit low- to moderate-income persons throughout Stark County

CDBG funded Single Family/Owner-Occupied Housing Rehab

- 42 units were completed (21 regular rehab, 21 emergency rehab)
- 5 more units under contract

Stark Development Board (SDB)– Economic Development – no businesses funded during FY '05 with CDBG funding. SDB requested to cancel the CDBG funded program and return all revolving loan fund monies to the CDBG office once final payments on the loans were completed in September 2006. The SDB will fund additional Stark County economic development

STARK COUNTY CDBG/HOME EXPENDITURES - FY '05 (July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006) Total Expenditure - \$ 2,579,866.76



Community Development

HOME Program

Budget Information

- Total funds available for use - \$1,992,921.80
(FY '05 entitlement grant was \$938,798.00 + \$35,825.00 in American Dream Down Payment Assistance (ADDI))
- Total HOME funds expended - \$913,177.37
- 89.97% of the funding expended benefited low- to moderate-income (LMI) persons; 100% of all projects undertaken utilizing HOME funding benefited LMI persons with their housing needs

Under ADDI program, 7 LMI first-time homebuyers received Down Payment Assistance, totaling \$32,628.62 in funding and leveraging another \$525,200.00 in new mortgages. Five (5) of the ADDI projects were completed within the city of Massillon; 2 within Stark County

- 6 projects were completed. These included the renovation of a housing unit for persons with mental retardation and developmental disabilities, construction of new homes for LMI homebuyers, renovation of housing for LMI, and lease to own housing. In addition, 6 other projects were underway

HOME funded Single Family/Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation

- 8 units completed and brought up to Housing Quality Standards
- 4 more units under contract



Before and after pictures of a rehab property in Stark County

SCATS

The Stark County Area Transportation Study (SCATS) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) designated by the Governor to perform transportation planning in Stark County. SCATS' primary objectives are to develop a long range *Transportation Plan* and a *Transportation Improvement Program*.

Year 2030 Comprehensive Land Use/Transportation Plan

The Long Range Transportation Plan shows transportation and transit projects proposed to meet the transportation needs of Stark County for 20-30 years into the future. The current plan was finalized and approved in 2005 and will be revised in 2008-2009.

Transportation Improvement Program

The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is the schedule of highway, transit, and other projects related to the long-range plan that will be implemented within the next four years. SCATS is in the process of updating the TIP to include projects falling in the 2008-2011 state fiscal years.

Capital Program Management

ODOT annually sub-allocates over \$6 million per year of Federal Highway Administration capital (construction) funds to SCATS. The funds are comprised of three separate types: Surface Transportation Program (STP), Transportation Enhancement Program (TE), and the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program (CMAQ) monies. The SCATS Policy Committee is responsible for selecting local projects for funding through these programs. Projects are selected to address identified system needs that will result in measurable improvements to the local transportation system. SCATS is responsible for establishing and monitoring the development and implementation of a multi-year program of local government-sponsored transportation system improvement projects within available budgets.

Other Accomplishments in 2006

- Completed updating the ***Public Involvement Process***, SCATS' plan for involving the public in the transportation planning process. Major changes included reorganizing the plan format, adding information about SCATS' methods of reaching the public via the internet, and expanding the contact mail list used to publicize public meetings. The ***online traffic counting*** system has been improved to ease its use. Geographic information system data, including roads, political boundaries, aerial photographs, and traffic volumes for every roadway segment were added in order to simplify identifying locations on the interactive map.
- Construction began on the final phase of the ***I-77 Corridor Widening Project***, which is ahead of schedule due to the favorable fall weather. The transportation section of the RPC website has links to county road and other detours in Stark County.
- The final determination by the US EPA that ***redesignated Stark County as in attainment of the 8-hour ozone standard*** was published in the December 27, 2006 Federal Register.

SCATS

- In 2006, SCATS began using a new **travel demand model**. A travel demand model is a set of computer programs used to forecast traffic flows on the transportation system. Data used in the model includes the transportation network and variables such as population, employment, households, dwelling units, trip rates, transit fares, etc. Among other statistics and reports, outputs from the model are maps of the transportation system with traffic volumes for every roadway segment.

The new travel demand model allows SCATS to forecast future trips by mode, such as auto, bus or walking. The models also forecast trips by purposes such as work, shopping, personal, business, and recreational. A new commercial vehicle trip purpose has also been included in the model as well as stratifying neighborhoods, trips, work locations and destinations by income. The new models also incorporate traffic signals into the computation of travel speeds when assigning future traffic to the transportation system.

The development of these new models has been a multiyear task by ODOT and their consultants. SCATS is excited about using the new models to more accurately forecast future travel, to observe the effects of road improvements on congestion, and to analyze compliance with Ohio EPA air quality requirements.

Ohio Public Works Commission Programs

The District 19 Public Works Integrating Committee was created to oversee the distribution of State Capital Improvements Program and Local Transportation Improvement Program funds. These funds are derived from bonds sold to assist local communities in improving their basic infrastructure systems. District 19 Public Works Integrating Committee awarded \$7,369,906 in funding for 9 road, bridge, and public utility projects throughout the county. Among the projects are:

- the Applegrove Waterline Project in the city of North Canton
- the widening of Applegrove by the Stark County Engineer's office
- bridge projects on Guilford in the city of Canton and Cleveland Avenue in the county
- the 25th Street NE Storm Sewer Project in the city of Canton
- the Market Street Reconstruction Project in the Village of Minerva
- the Robertsville Storm Sewer Project in Paris Township
- the Alliance Waste Water Treatment Plant Clarifier Improvement Project
- the Fairhope Preserve Storm Water Detention Basin project in the city of Canton

The Clean Ohio Fund is a bond program created from the passage of State Issue 1 in 2000. The District 19 Natural Resource Assistance Council oversees this program in Stark County and distributes funds to local communities and nonprofit organizations to protect open space, clean up brownfields, and preserve farmland. Six projects were approved for funding in 2006 for a total of \$1,288,300 in grant money:

- Tuscarawas River Floodplain Acquisition in the Village of Canal Fulton
- the Fairhope Preserve in the city of Canton
- the city of Massillon Open Space project
- the Sandy & Beaver Canal Trail Project by Stark Parks
- the Petros Lake Park Expansion Project by Stark Parks
- an Ohio & Erie Canalway Land Acquisition Project by Stark Parks

Fiscal

	2006 Actual Income	2007 Projected Income
Taxes	3,638.55	4,000.00
Charges for Services	36,751.54	42,000.00
Licenses and Permits	27,770.10	30,000.00
Intergovernmental Includes Federal, State, Local Reimbursements, and Contract Services	2,346,886.78	1,733,750.00
Other Revenue Includes Hospitalization Co-pay, Reimbursements, and Recycling Income	247,248.52	22,438.00
TOTAL	2,662,295.49	* 1,832,188.00

	2006 Actual Expenses	2007 Projected Expenses
Salaries and Benefits	1,656,697.15	1,629,966.58
Supplies	124,960.87	45,105.00
Purchased Services	563,820.74	121,045.00
Capital Outlay	15,923.22	20,850.00
Other	68,942.31	15,221.42
TOTAL	2,430,344.29	* 1,832,188.00

* Reduction is reflected by the transferring of Stark County Recycling to Stark-Tuscarawas-Wayne Joint Solid Waste Management District

Fiscal

1957 Income	
Membership Fees	35,079.30
Sale of Services	54.56
TOTAL Income	35,133.86
1957 Expenses	
Payroll	11,024.97
Supplies and Other Expenses	10,953.92
Other Expenses	1,948.24
TOTAL Expenses	23,961.99

1957

House -	\$30,000.00
Car -	2,100.00
Income -	5,000.00
Gas -	.24
Gallon of Milk -	1.00
Loaf of Bread -	.18
Box of Cereal -	.31
Stamp -	.03
H.S. Grads -	41.2%



2007

House -	\$100,000.00
Car -	15,000.00
Income -	47,000.00
Gas -	2.00
Gallon of Milk -	3.00
Loaf of Bread -	1.15
Box of Cereal -	3.50
Stamp -	.39
H.S. Grads -	83.4%

Fair Housing

The Stark County Fair Housing Department is dedicated to the elimination of housing discrimination. The department's mission is to ensure equal housing opportunities for all people. The Stark County RPC contracts with the cities of Alliance and Canton to administer their fair housing programs. Activities during the year included the following:

Educational Workshops, Trainings, and Outreach

- Made presentations to the senior home economic classes at Hoover High School and the Multi-Development Services of Stark County
- Participated in the McKinley School of Diversity 2006 Community Services Expo where the department distributed educational brochures and promotional items
- Participated in the Stark County Real Estate Investors' Association Vendor Show where educational materials and promotional items were available to over 200 participants
- Sponsored a Home Ownership Seminar in Alliance
- Trained the staff at the Stark Metropolitan Housing Authority on Disability Rights in Housing
- Trained property managers and owners on the fair housing laws

Discrimination Cases

The complexity of discrimination complaints and the resources required to address such cases continue to increase. There are thousands of cases of discrimination each year that are not reported. During this fiscal year, the staff investigated, processed, and updated twenty-two (22) alleged claims of discrimination:

- 6 race/color discrimination
- 1 race and familial status discrimination
- 2 race and disability discrimination
- 2 disability discrimination
- 10 familial status discrimination
- 1 sex discrimination
- 10 cases are currently pending
- 7 cases were resolved by settlement and/or conciliation
- 1 case was withdrawn
- 1 case was closed because complainant chose not to pursue
- 1 case was withdrawn by complainant after a successful resolution
- 3 cases were not discriminatory

Landlord-Tenant Issues

Assisting or resolving landlord and tenant issues is one of the most important services the staff renders to the community. Staff counseled nearly 1500 individuals on their rights, obligations and responsibilities under the landlord-tenant laws.

Monitoring

Forty-five property investment owners were monitored by the staff during this period. These owners were monitored on a weekly basis due to some questionable and/or discriminatory rental practices in the past.

Advertisement and Public Awareness

- Distributed nearly 800 educational brochures to property owners, managers, tenants, landlords, students, lawyers, and various agencies
- Advertised in the "Community Links" magazine
- Advertised in the Repository and the Alliance Review newspapers

Equal Employment

In 2006, the EEO Officer:

- Processed 52 equal employment discrimination telephone calls
- Investigated county-wide employee complaints relating to equal employment issues
- Provided employee mediation services
- Assisted in the development of county departmental Equal Employment Opportunity plans

Historic Preservation

The SCPRC's Historic Preservation Administrator reviews the agency's housing rehab and other CDBG projects to comply with federal preservation regulations (Section 106) under terms of a Programmatic Agreement with the Ohio Historic Preservation Office. Similar reviews are performed by contracts with the cities of Massillon and Alliance, the Ohio Regional Development Corporation in Coshocton, and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources' Division of Mineral Resource Management (ODNR-DMRM). Phase I archaeological surveys are also offered on a limited basis, to provide additional financial support and reduce compliance costs for other governmental agencies.

Work for ODNR includes field reviews of abandoned coal mine reclamation projects in more than 20 counties and preparation of clearance documentation for each project. It is anticipated that the recent Congressional reauthorization for abandoned mine land projects, which increases federal funding over each of the next six years, will result in expanding involvement with this program.

ODNR-DMRM Abandoned Mine Lands:

- 30 mine reclamation project reviews were undertaken

A total of 139 Section 106 reviews were completed as follows:

- 52 for Stark County, including the cities of Alliance and Massillon
- 87 for Tuscarawas, Holmes, and Crawford Counties, and the cities of Coshocton and Shelby

As part of our assistance under RPC's contract with Tuscarawas County's Office of Community and Economic Development, an expanded National Register nomination was completed for the Dennison Depot, and a limited archaeological field assessment was completed in Newcomerstown.

Economic Development

Enterprise Zone (EZ) and Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) Programs

The RPC contracts with the Stark County Commissioners to provide assistance to Tax Incentive Review Councils (TIRC). The Enterprise Zone Manager assists with the review to assure companies receiving tax abatement under these programs comply with state law and rules developed by the Ohio Department of Development (ODOD), Office of Tax Incentives.

An Enterprise Zone (EZ) is a designated area where business and industry wishing to expand or improve their property or build new facilities can receive abatement of a portion of both real estate and personal property taxes. A Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) is primarily a program to encourage revitalization of existing housing, but a business may also receive real property tax relief by improving property in a CRA.

The cities of Canton and Massillon adopt and monitor their own EZ programs and the city of Alliance, through agreement with the county, monitors a county EZ which includes part of Lexington Township. The county's Enterprise Zone Manager is responsible for five county enterprise zones - EZ326C (Minerva); EZ342C (Brewster); EZ360C (Canal Fulton); EZ234C which includes parts of East Canton, Navarre, Canton, Perry, and Osnaburg Townships and all of the city of Louisville and Nimishillen and Plain Townships; and EZ252C, which includes parts of Lake and Jackson Township and the city of North Canton.

The various Tax Incentive Review Councils reviewed 28 EZ agreements and made recommendations to the Stark County Commissioners. Final action by the Commissioners resulted in the termination of one agreement in Perry Township. The rest were continued, often subject to conditions. Only one new EZ agreement was approved during 2006. In accordance with state requirements, all reports were entered into the electronic reporting system by March 31, 2006. Reports filed by companies under enterprise zone agreements over the years consistently show that at least 2,500 jobs have been created or retained in Stark County due to the assistance of the Enterprise Zone Program.

Even though detailed reporting was not required, county TIRCs reviewed a list of companies receiving real estate tax abatement under CRAs established prior to 1994. No agreements have yet been approved in the two CRAs created since that time which fall under new reporting rules.

2006 COMMITTEES

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Members are all citizens working/residing in Stark County

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John Hahn, County-at-Large
Bill Sliwinski, Citizen

(plus any interested RPC member)

*Alternate

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Jeff Mills, Key Bank
Bill Smith, Canton Township
Diana Stadelman, Meyers Lake
Valerie Watson, RPC Staff, alt.

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Recycling Coordinator
Malia Watkins
Recycling Education Specialist /
Assistant Coordinator
John McGrew
Driver
James Kiskadden
Driver
Neal Rayner
Driver

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Chief of Planning Administration
Cliff Meidlein
Associate Planner

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Joe Underwood, P.E., P.S.
Subdivision Engineer

DRAFTING

Ken Ogden
Senior Cartographer

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Pat Charlton
Office Manager
Jodi Frenz
Secretary

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Mary Lee Sponseller

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David Thorley

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Annette Glatzhofer
Jeffrey Idom
Chapman Owusu-Sekyere

SCRPC Presidents

Ralph S. Regula	1957-1959
Robert K. Domer	1960
C. H. Michel	1961-1962
Charles B. Olds	1963
Russell C. Youtz	1963-1964
Raymond A. Studt	1965
Sam Stutz	1965
Albert M. Creighton	1966-1967
Dale H. Corbett	1968-1969
Edwin S. Rice	1970-1971
Richard R. Hinterleiter	1972-1973
Howard Robinson	1974-1975
Paul Giovanini	1976-1977
Carl W. Rose	1978-1979
Maxine K. Imdorf	1980-1981
Karl H. Bielz	1981-1982
David R. Dreger	1983
Stephen E. Singleton	1984-1985
W. C. "Wib" Roberts	1986-1987
Robert H. Leach	1988-1989
Irene M. Hever	1990-1991
Ralph J. Miller	1992-1993
Larry Krebs	1994-1995
David McAlister	1996-1997
Julius J. Tonges	1998-1999
Ronald Revlock	2000-2001
James Benekos	2002-2003
Maurice DeHoff	2004-2005
Fred Abraham	2006-

SCRPC Directors



J. Thomas Via, Jr.
1957-1958



James Hickey
1958 -1964



James Holl
1964 -1965



Lerrie Summers
1966



J. Dale Cawthorne
1967 -1985

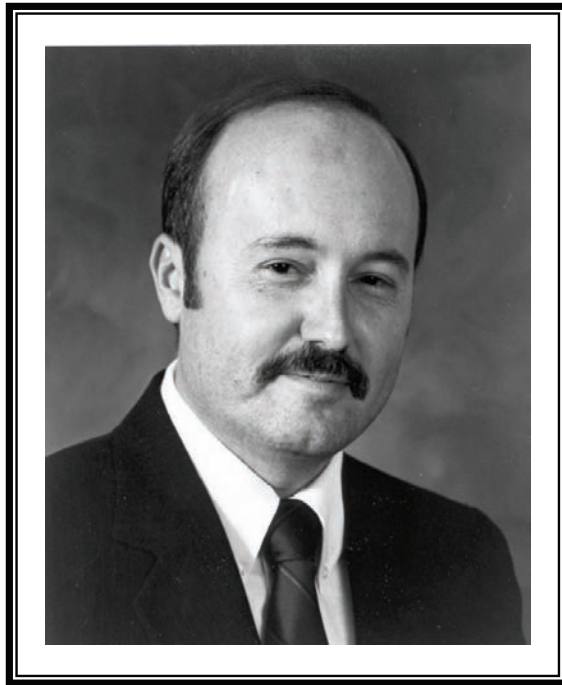


Gerald Bixler
1985 -2004



Robert Nau
2004 -

In Memoriam



Steve Singleton
July 9, 1943 - August 13, 2006

Steve Singleton served as president of the Stark County Regional Planning Commission from 1984-1985 and was a Commission member for a total of 21 years. He also served on the Executive Committee.

Prior to retiring from the Stark County Commissioners' office in 2003, Steve was County Administrator for 16 years. He was known for his daily humor, quick wit, remarkable memory and dedication.

A devoted family man, Steve will be missed by his family, friends and colleagues.



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