SOUTH KENTON FOCUS GROUP MEETING SUMMARY: MAY 13, 2014
PINER FIREHOUSE

INFRASTRUCTURE
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Responses:

There was discussion about the impact of extension of public infrastructure (water & sewer) and the potential growth that can be spurred due to it. Comments were also made that residents should not have to do without water just to stay rural. There were questions regarding the feasibility study that was conducted last year as part of the grant application and whether that document could be shared with the public on the County website. More information and outreach to residents regarding the implications of extending water, how to get it if you want public water and how communities are paying back the loan taken to extend services were also brought up.

It was agreed that given the price tag on improving roadways, a simpler solution would be to implement speed control and enforcement on roadways such as KY 14 where the speed should not be 55 mph. The roads are not farmer friendly and there could be additional signage on tractors or on roadways to bring focus to this issue. Duke energy may be a potential partner in this effort. The approach to adjust traffic to roads rather than roads to traffic was discussed. Widening roads will increase speed on rural roadways. Traffic calming mechanisms should be used closer to population centers such as Piner and Nicholson.

Cell phone companies can provide data regarding where coverage is lacking. Licking river valley along Rt.177 is full of dead zones. We need to look into Pendleton or Grant County programs related to cell service. Kynet was offered as a good website to look into. It was also mentioned that cell phone dead spots can be augmented with local cell phone amplifiers connected to hard wired broadband internet.

RURAL HERITAGE
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Responses:
There are several programs that should continue to be supported such as – 4H, FFA, FFA Alumni and the farms tours. The idea was brought up that the Centennial Farms program could be pursued in Kenton County. This program in Kentucky called the Historic Farms Program honors family farms that have been in production for 100 years or longer in continuous ownership in the same family. It also provides a network of family farms and promotes agriculture. There also needs to be an unofficial directory of rural enterprises and we need to look into Harper’s Ferry, WA’s model. There was also a discussion about the need for mapping to illustrate the location of agriculture operations in Kenton County. Also, a sign welcoming folks and bringing attention to the rural part of the county should also be considered.

The implication of developing parks and recreation facilities in terms of additional growth was mentioned. The general sentiment was that there are plenty of parks in the northern part of the county that are accessible if needed. Clarification was provided that the effort should focus on developing a small park with a play set and maybe a shelter that can be rented for gatherings rather than large parks. However there is value in educating folks about where their food comes from. A suggestion was made that a mapping tool be developed to show public and private places that people can go for outdoor recreation. It should be a matter of priorities for public spending – roads and water should take higher priority over recreation.

**PLANNING & ZONING**

1. Do you think the area has stayed the same for the most part with rural scale development?

2. Do you think current zoning regulations are providing enough protection to ensure this area stays rural? If not, why not? (The minimum lot size is 1 acre)

3. Should we improve our local zoning regulations to promote more agritourism?

4. What are your thoughts on increasing the minimum lot size from 1 to 5 acres? Are you concerned about how land would be given to children or family members if it is increased to 5 acres? What are your other concerns regarding this approach?

Responses:

The area has stayed rural for the most part but there has been a lot of small-scale residential added along the main roadways. We should be careful about changing regulations that hinder property rights. More research and study is needed on this end. There was an effort 15 years ago to increase minimum lot size but it failed due to lack of community support. The openness of the landscape should be protected rather than the number of homes. There were concerns expressed about the concept of clustering and blocking views. The Right to Farm act needs to be strengthened. We need to invite folks from Woodford County to learn from their experiences in dealing with this issue.
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    I have Bullock Pen Water
    679 Bracht Piner

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    Bracht Piner speed limit study
    3 serious accidents in front of my home

3. Do you have issues with cell coverage? Are there specific areas of southern Kenton County where you have issues?

    Down along rt. 177 I don't get cell service.
RURAL HERITAGE
1. What type of programs should be encouraged to promote and celebrate our rural heritage?
   I think the farm tours are great.

2. Do you think future generations will embrace this rural identity? What needs to be done on this end?
   I think people that are raised in rural areas appreciate the lifestyle of rural living.

3. What is the need for parks and recreation activities in this part of the County? Mention some activities you would like to see such as nature trails or outdoor education.
   The extension office provides opportunities for outdoor education. Those programs may need to be promoted in a different way so that more residents are aware. No parks are needed.

4. Have you visited other parks and recreation areas that had facilities that you would like to see here? What are they?
   I have visited horse trails at AJ Jolly Park in Campbell Co. Kenton Co does have trails but I haven’t visited them.
1. Do you think the area has stayed the same for the most part with rural scale development?

   I've lived in this area for 8 years and I feel that I live in a rural area.

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   No

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"Water will bring the hammers & saws and demand for other services."

"You shouldn't have to do without water just to stay rural."

"The public needs to see the feasibility studies."

"It's not whether as much as when & how to pay for it."

2. Survey said there needs to be a focus on maintaining existing roadways. What specific roads/intersections/signage and so on do you think are problematic and in what area?

"Speed control is what we need on these roads."

"If we widen the roads, the speeds will increase."

"Our roads are not farmer friendly."

"We need enforcement."

"We should extend speed zones & add graduated speed zones around population centers."

3. Do you have issues with cell coverage? Are there specific areas of southern Kenton County where you have issues?

"Cell dead spots can be augmented with local cell phone amplifiers connected to hardwired broadband internet."

"KYNect"
RURAL HERITAGE

1. What type of programs should be encouraged to promote and celebrate our rural heritage?

- 4-H
- FFA / FFA Alumni
- Rural Heritage Tour
- Centennial Farms - more than 3 generations or 100 years ("by doesn't have this")

2. Do you think future generations will embrace this rural identity? What needs to be done on this end?

"Property taxes on rural property need to be low and kept low, without regard to the land's market value."

3. What is the need for parks and recreation activities in this part of the County? Mention some activities you would like to see such as nature trails or outdoor education.

"We have access to lots of parks in the north, and we're paying for them. So all we need to do is drive up there to access them."

4. Have you visited other parks and recreation areas that had facilities that you would like to see here? What are they?

"It's a matter of priorities for public spending. Roads, water should take priority over recreation."

PLANNING & ZONING

1. Do you think the area has stayed the same for the most part with rural scale development?

"For the most part yes, but there has been a lot of small-scale residential added along the roadways."

"There should be more set-back from the roadway to keep more open, spacious views."

2. Do you think current zoning regulations are providing enough protection to ensure this area stays rural? If not, why not? (The minimum lot size is 1 acre)

"There needs to be some kind of restriction on the density of the 1-acre lots."

"The openness of the landscape needs to be protected."

"1-acre parcels should not be contiguous."

3. Should we improve our local zoning regulations to promote more agritourism?

"I'm not sure we want to bring more people & traffic to the area."

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"We have to avoid 'piano key' lots if we go 5 acres. There should not be a subdivision made from side by side 5-acre lots."
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INFRASTRUCTURE
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   - Water coming to Kruise Creek 10 August
   - 700 houses with it still
   - fire hydrant necessary - no financial support it only a hydrant
   - update on where we are - as far as paying for it
   - 30 yrs ago - fear of it bring ing development
   - people on the road must help to pay for it or it won't happen
   - need a feasibility study - one done 2 yrs ago
   * - better info on what is involved; cost + implications - fire hydrant + not connect
   - have public see feasibility study - website
   - meeting for all who are interested
   SEWER brings a fear of development

2. Survey said there needs to be a focus on maintaining existing roadways. What specific roads/intersections/signage and so on do you think are problematic and in what area?
   - speed control is needed!
   - re-evaluation of speed limit's / signs / step down speed limit signs / strips
   - Bracht-Piner dangerous
   - farm vehicle safety - triangle caution on all equipment
   - flashing lights on tractors
   - 17 between Piner & Nicholson
   - 25 - don't widen; reduce speed; rumble strips
   - create a adopt a road sign program

3. Do you have issues with cell coverage? Are there specific areas of southern Kenton County where you have issues?
   - Licking Valley - full of dead zones
   - Pendleton Co. has
   - internet - where are the hubs
   - Ky Connect should help with this - Dooble
RURAL HERITAGE

1. What type of programs should be encouraged to promote and celebrate our rural heritage?
   - National Campaigns - Centennial Farms
     - Farms in families for a number of generations
     - Sign in front
     - Ry doesn't have them
     - Land grants
   - Pay for classes
   - Directory of farms

   - Symbols on map of Kenton County GIS
     - On line
   - Signs like "You are entering the grass country"

2. Do you think future generations will embrace this rural identity? What needs to be done on this end?

3. What is the need for parks and recreation activities in this part of the County? Mention some activities you would like to see such as nature trails or outdoor education.
   - Heritage Farm - bicycling destination
   - Quandems
   - Conservation district

   - didn't feel the need
   - Agricultural

   - Indicate on map public-private areas

4. Have you visited other parks and recreation areas that had facilities that you would like to see here? What are they?
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2. Do you think current zoning regulations are providing enough protection to ensure this area stays rural? If not, why not? (The minimum lot size is 1 acre)
   - Study it more
   - Sewage is an issue

3. Should we improve our local zoning regulations to promote more agritourism?
   - State law won't allow taxing developers for infrastructure
   - Dan will have a workshop on right to farm

4. What are your thoughts on increasing the minimum lot size from 1 to 5 acres? Are you concerned about how land would be given to children or family members if it is increased to 5 acres? What are your other concerns regarding this approach?
   - More of a density issue than lot size
   - Make land more valuable at sale time
   - Strengthen "right to farm" rules
   - Be pro-active / education
   - Reduce tax level
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Bullock Penn goes down Bracht-Piner Rd but we are ~1/2 mile off the road. Could not get an easement so we went w/ a large cistern

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BKE 114 should not be 55 mph. — wider
Add slow-moving traffic tractor signs
17 needs repair

3. Do you have issues with cell coverage? Are there specific areas of southern Kenton County where you have issues?
Have to keep AT&T because they provide coverage on my property. I lose coverage in the valley on 17 south of 14.
DSL hubs are too spread out in some areas
RURAL HERITAGE

1. What type of programs should be encouraged to promote and celebrate our rural heritage?
   
   Open farm days
   So others get rural experiences

2. Do you think future generations will embrace this rural identity? What needs to be done on this end?
   
   Yes with exposure
   More experiences w/ education

3. What is the need for parks and recreation activities in this part of the County? Mention some activities you would like to see such as nature trails or outdoor education.
   
   Nature trails/educational info
   No new parks are needed

4. Have you visited other parks and recreation areas that had facilities that you would like to see here? What are they?
   
   Provide doggie bags for trails already there
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I like the idea. Balanced w/ road frontage requirements?

But some data suggested it could make development worse.
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   - Arg. Craig Creek Road - Fire Hydrant
   - update on payoffs
   - Whiteville Club - $51/mo. on top, water usage to pay for debt
   - Feasibility study - done 1 1/2 years ago (Water District)
   - Recommendation - plan on how to organize and get water
   - Process / Cost / Benefits

2. Survey said there needs to be a focus on maintaining existing roadways. What specific roads/intersections/signage and so on do you think are problematic and in what area?
   - June 9th
   - Transportation plan / Not farmer friendly
   - 14, 17, 19
   - Farm Tractor Signs
   - Slow moving vehicles / companies donate them / Duke energy
   - Enforcement
   - Speed strips

3. Do you have issues with cell coverage? Are there specific areas of southern Kenton County where you have issues?
   - Kicking Valley Wireless - issues
   - Where are hubs?
   - Cell Coverage
   - KY Next - Help - Resource
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   Steinhauser layout - destination
   Conservation

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   Centennial Farms - Farms (longstanding)
   #Research this

   Organize as businesses

   Hashtag => #SouthKentFocus (AgriTourism)
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   "Transition "
   Planning - (Arms Project - Estate Planning)
   Cindy Cabrini - buying farms up - (Greenwood example)
   "Right to Farm even if it stinks"
   Easements - (PACE Money) no longer valid"
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Responses:

There was discussion that the need to extend water is for public health and fire protection needs. Connelly Road was mentioned as a potential for water extension. The group discussed that often times there are not enough homes on a road to extend water. White Villa did not get much participation but had enough to extend water recently.

The impact of widening roadways was discussed in terms of development and speed issues. An idea was presented that George Bach Road should be opened up all the way. This would deter through traffic from coming down KY 177 and make it easier during flooding. New roads are not needed; the current ones just need to be safer. One person spoke in favor of the idea of cross county highway extending through Southern Kenton County.

An independent study is needed to assess how to get good internet service to the southern part of the county. Pendleton County has done a good job with the provision of cell service and perhaps we need to look at their efforts. Basic communication services are essential and needed.

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Responses:

An idea was presented that arts and cultural development through the Kentucky Arts Council should be explored. Camp Springs in Campbell County includes house and farm tours. Music festivals and workshops were also mentioned. Friendly Market on Mt.Zion Road is a great asset that could plug in Kenton County Farmers.

The Licking River is a great asset and should be promoted for recreation. Access to the river is an issue that needs to be resolved. A bike-a-thon could draw people down to the area but the roads need to be safer for that.
Locust Pike Park off of Whites Road was mentioned. It is possibly closed because of vandalism. There is no police enforcement since it is abandoned. Access to the river is needed and the Thornhill Drag Strip was mentioned as an ideal location for that. The idea of a zip line on the Morning View property owned by the Kenton County Conservation District was mentioned but it was recognized that federal or state requirements on the property may prohibit that. A horse trail on 3-4 properties would be another idea to pursue. The Licking River was mentioned as our biggest asset and should have a provision for kayaks and canoes to access the river.

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**Responses:**

*Promotion of Right to Farm was mentioned. The idea of varying the zoning rather than allowing just one minimum size was brought up. Topographic changes cause a change in rural landscape and there were questions regarding regulating the change in topography. The concern about increasing the minimum lot size and the impact on subdividing the land for family was brought up. We need to look at development patterns in the southern Kenton County today to assess this further. Dr. Garkovich could help us by providing examples of other communities and what they have done in terms of planning and zoning to promote rural development.*

*It is important to market southern Kenton county to the northern areas. The south should be seen as a resource and branding this part of the county is important.*
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No. I don't want water in my area but I did not tap into it. But then ran it on my side of the road which cut out a certain amount of pasture. I was not asked which side of the road to put water on or for that matter that if I wanted water.

2. Survey said there needs to be a focus on maintaining existing roadways. What specific roads/intersections/signage and so on do you think are problematic and in what area?

Open up Armstrong Road from Decoursey to Moffitt road. So when we have a flood such as 1997, the community of Kenton is not fixed locked in. The County already owns the right of way they just never maintained it. So as it turns out its a nice County maintained drive way for the 3 house's on it, instead of hundreds of people to use it.

3. Do you have issues with cell coverage? Are there specific areas of southern Kenton County where you have issues?

Only get cell reception outside.
RURAL HERITAGE

1. What type of programs should be encouraged to promote and celebrate our rural heritage?
   Keep what is left Agricultural

2. Do you think future generations will embrace this rural identity? What needs to be done on this end?
   No, keep the landscape Agricultural

3. What is the need for parks and recreation activities in this part of the County? Mention some activities you would like to see such as nature trails or outdoor education.
   Horse riding trails.
   Walking trails

4. Have you visited other parks and recreation areas that had facilities that you would like to see here? What are they?
   Yes
PLANNING & ZONING

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   No.

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   No.

3. Should we improve our local zoning regulations to promote more agritourism?

   Yes

4. What are your thoughts on increasing the minimum lot size from 1 to 5 acres? Are you concerned about how land would be given to children or family members if it is increased to 5 acres? What are your other concerns regarding this approach?

   Yes 5 acres would be better
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   my area has water but as Kenton Fire Chief I would like to see the southern end of our area finished

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   177 from Kenton to Pemberton Co line

3. Do you have issues with cell coverage? Are there specific areas of southern Kenton County where you have issues?

   all Licking River valley on Decoursey
RURAL HERITAGE
1. What type of programs should be encouraged to promote and celebrate our rural heritage?

Farm Tour & Farmers Markets

2. Do you think future generations will embrace this rural identity? What needs to be done on this end?

No

3. What is the need for parks and recreation activities in this part of the County? Mention some activities you would like to see such as nature trails or outdoor education.

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PLANNING & ZONING

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   YES

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   YES

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   ?

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   I AM AGAINST INCREASING LOT SIZE

   I THINK IT WOULD DISCOURAGE PROPERTY SALES + GROWTH. I AM IN FAVOR OF REASONABLE GROWTH
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   * Yes it is need all over South Kenton
   * (Big thing)

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   * All the way to County line, Kenton street all the way up.

3. Do you have issues with cell coverage? Are there specific areas of southern Kenton County where you have issues?

   * It bad all over the County
   * (Big thing)
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   It would be nice to have parks or play things for the kids in the south put them at the fire house in the county.

4. Have you visited other parks and recreation areas that had facilities that you would like to see here? What are they?
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   Yes

2. Do you think current zoning regulations are providing enough protection to ensure this area stays rural? If not, why not? (The minimum lot size is 1 acre)  
   Yes

3. Should we improve our local zoning regulations to promote more agritourism?  
   Yes

4. What are your thoughts on increasing the minimum lot size from 1 to 5 acres? Are you concerned about how land would be given to children or family members if it is increased to 5 acres? What are your other concerns regarding this approach?  
   No concerned
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Conley - wants water; not enough people

- fire protection issue

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- 17 Madison Pike - state road; Fiscal Court given authority over it for maintenance? Is it only?

- paved this summer

- concern over developments on little 2 lane roads & their lots of traffic

- if flooded locked in; George Bell Rd. should be opened up to achieve this

- need an analysis of roads; county engineer position is lost

- one in favor of Cross County

3. Do you have issues with cell coverage? Are there specific areas of southern Kenton County where you have issues?

- phone co. has to regulate the receivers

- personal or community

- very knowledgeable

- independent study outside of phone co. & cable co.

- Pendleton Co. did a community solution

- dead zones; intermittent DSL is old metered lines
RURAL HERITAGE
1. What type of programs should be encouraged to promote and celebrate our rural heritage?
   - arts council
   - workshops, music festivals
   - need safe roads for bicyclists
   - using Licking River for recreation

2. Do you think future generations will embrace this rural identity? What needs to be done on this end?
   - Campbell Co - Camp Springs is great
   - put on Facebook

3. What is the need for parks and recreation activities in this part of the County? Mention some activities you would like to see such as nature trails or outdoor education.
   - Locust Fork Park - it developed; torn up by river; not patrolled
   - Kids used it but
   - some kind of put in to Licking for boating; canoes, bass boats
   - acquire Thornhill property for access to the river
   - ziplines on hills
   - horse trails

4. Have you visited other parks and recreation areas that had facilities that you would like to see here? What are they?
   - "brand" this end of the county
   - have others appreciate
   - bike a thor - hills
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PLANNING & ZONING

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2. Do you think current zoning regulations are providing enough protection to ensure this area stays rural? If not, why not? (The minimum lot size is 1 acre)
   - if 5 acre set road frontage
   - vary the zoning: some 10 acres
     some 5 acres
     some 1 acres
   - need to be studied: research other communities

3. Should we improve our local zoning regulations to promote more agritourism?
   - regulate no change in topography
   - right to farm

4. What are your thoughts on increasing the minimum lot size from 1 to 5 acres? Are you concerned about how land would be given to children or family members if it is increased to 5 acres? What are your other concerns regarding this approach?
INFRASTRUCTURE

1. Water is a high priority as mentioned in the survey. Do you agree and are you waiting for water to be extended to your area? If yes, where do you live?

Conley Rd has no water due to too few houses.
White Villa paid for their own extension of water.

2. Survey said there needs to be a focus on maintaining existing roadways. What specific roads/intersections/signage and so on do you think are problematic and in what area?

US 17 is a state road. It shall be maintained to better standards.

Housing development on undersized roads force road improvement at taxpayer expense. These "private, free-enterprise" developments are actual private investments subsidized by public money.

3. Do you have issues with cell coverage? Are there specific areas of southern Kenton County where you have issues?

Cell coverage is adequate but the signal is not strong in Piner (AT&T)
RURAL HERITAGE

1. What type of programs should be encouraged to promote and celebrate our rural heritage?

   The main program should be preservation of the rural landscape. That means protection from new road construction and from massive widening projects for existing roads.

2. Do you think future generations will embrace this rural identity? What needs to be done on this end?

   Future generations can only embrace rural identity if it still is rural. Preservation of the land is key!

3. What is the need for parks and recreation activities in this part of the County? Mention some activities you would like to see such as nature trails or outdoor education.

   The problem with parks is not the initial cost but the very high maintenance and patrol costs. There is a huge concern about crime, drug use, and vandalism.

4. Have you visited other parks and recreation areas that had facilities that you would like to see here? What are they?

   Small boat access to the Licking River.
PLANNING & ZONING

1. Do you think the area has stayed the same for the most part with rural scale development?
   The area has continued to fill in and increase in housing density. Views are more constricted and traffic density has increased.

2. Do you think current zoning regulations are providing enough protection to ensure this area stays rural? If not, why not? (The minimum lot size is 1 acre)
   Have some areas with 1 acre, some with 5, some with 12 acres and so on. Mostly however, the zoning should preserve open pasture and wooded areas and farms less than 50 and more than 50 acres.

3. Should we improve our local zoning regulations to promote more agritourism?
   Maybe not promote but certainly preserve the freedom to pursue agricultural activities.

4. What are your thoughts on increasing the minimum lot size from 1 to 5 acres? Are you concerned about how land would be given to children or family members if it is increased to 5 acres? What are your other concerns regarding this approach?
   Zoning should be designed with the future in mind with regard to controlling development pressures and prevent the "Boone Countyization" of South Kenton.
INFRASSTRUCTURE
1. Water is a high priority as mentioned in the survey. Do you agree and are you waiting for water to be extended to your area? If yes, where do you live?

We have benefited from water.

2. Survey said there needs to be a focus on maintaining existing roadways. What specific roads/intersections/signage and so on do you think are problematic and in what area?

Keep the current roads, then make them safer.

3. Do you have issues with cell coverage? Are there specific areas of southern Kenton County where you have issues?

1. Personal Solutions - what homeowners/businesses can do.
2. Community Solutions - what needs to be done community-wide.

An independent expert study would be helpful to solve the community problems.
SOUTH KENTON FOCUS GROUP MEETING: MAY 22, 2014
KENTON FIREHOUSE.

RURAL HERITAGE
1. What type of programs should be encouraged to promote and celebrate our rural heritage?

! Arts and Cultural Development - re: Kentucky Arts Council.

2. Do you think future generations will embrace this rural identity? What needs to be done on this end?

Making what we have more visible so that it generates more interest outside of our community.

3. What is the need for parks and recreation activities in this part of the County? Mention some activities you would like to see such as nature trails or outdoor education?

! Arts and cultural development.

4. Have you visited other parks and recreation areas that had facilities that you would like to see here? What are they?

Hiking, Licking River access, Camping.
1. Do you think the area has stayed the same for the most part with rural scale development?

   Yes

2. Do you think current zoning regulations are providing enough protection to ensure this area stays rural? If not, why not? (The minimum lot size is 1 acre)

   Yes

3. Should we improve our local zoning regulations to promote more agritourism?

   Maybe.

4. What are your thoughts on increasing the minimum lot size from 1 to 5 acres? Are you concerned about how land would be given to children or family members if it is increased to 5 acres? What are your other concerns regarding this approach?

   Moot
INFORMATION
1. Water is a high priority as mentioned in the survey. Do you agree and are you waiting for water to be extended to your area? If yes, where do you live?

Conley - no water, not enough houses

Kenton Station -

Didn't cross creek

Whitevilla - water

2. Survey said there needs to be a focus on maintaining existing roadways. What specific roads/intersections/signage and so on do you think are problematic and in what area?

17 - Madison Pike State Road
Rich Road State Hwy

George each Road open up and let people get out of flooded area and help. Flow of traffic out of Morning View.
Lost our County Engineer 4 years ago

3. Do you have issues with cell coverage? Are there specific areas of southern Kenton County where you have issues?

"Repeaters" for cell coverage aren't approved for use

No digital TV reception

Personal & community ways to solve cell issues
In dead zones on map with population
RURAL HERITAGE

1. What type of programs should be encouraged to promote and celebrate our rural heritage?

- Farm Tours
- Arts & Cultural Development - Assets analysis
- Agriculture
- Greenways
- Homesteads
- Farmers' Markets
- Kentucky Proud
- Kentucky Homemade

2. Do you think future generations will embrace this rural identity? What needs to be done on this end?

3. What is the need for parks and recreation activities in this part of the County? Mention some activities you would like to see such as nature trails or outdoor education.

   Locust Pike Park -

4. Have you visited other parks and recreation areas that had facilities that you would like to see here? What are they?

   Access to the water
PLANNING & ZONING

1. Do you think the area has stayed the same for the most part with rural scale development?

   Rural view defined by what people see as they drive through, not what they can see from their back yard. Bracht Diner perfect example of lost "rural view" over past 10 years.

2. Do you think current zoning regulations are providing enough protection to ensure this area stays rural? If not, why not? (The minimum lot size is 1 acre)

   Regulated "no change" topography - we need to research that.

3. Should we improve our local zoning regulations to promote more agritourism?

   Code enforcement - equity

4. What are your thoughts on increasing the minimum lot size from 1 to 5 acres? Are you concerned about how land would be given to children or family members if it is increased to 5 acres? What are your other concerns regarding this approach?

   Plot land and dimensions for the lots.
(Resume something)

"Kenton Co. has acquired a reputation for rejecting things."

Brand our part of the county.

Bikeathinow

(Mapped out)
INFRASTRUCTURE
1. Water is a high priority as mentioned in the survey. Do you agree and are you waiting for water to be extended to your area? If yes, where do you live?

*I live on Moffett - water not a problem for me.*

2. Survey said there needs to be a focus on maintaining existing roadways. What specific roads/intersections/signage and so on do you think are problematic and in what area?

*Some county roads not well enough maintained for school buses.*

3. Do you have issues with cell coverage? Are there specific areas of southern Kenton County where you have issues?

*Cell coverage not a problem - nor is cable.*
RURAL HERITAGE
1. What type of programs should be encouraged to promote and celebrate our rural heritage?
   Like the idea of farms being opened for visitors

2. Do you think future generations will embrace this rural identity? What needs to be done on this end?
   Young people need to be educated on their rural heritage. Hopefully they will respect the land of their ancestors.

3. What is the need for parks and recreation activities in this part of the County? Mention some activities you would like to see such as nature trails or outdoor education.
   We have a conservation area now being developed - See how that is attended

4. Have you visited other parks and recreation areas that had facilities that you would like to see here? What are they?
1. Do you think the area has stayed the same for the most part with rural scale development?

   Not sure

2. Do you think current zoning regulations are providing enough protection to ensure this area stays rural? If not, why not? (The minimum lot size is 1 acre)

   No - should be changed to a minimum of 5 acres. Many other counties have 10 - 20 acre minimum. (Clark, Fayette & Woodford)

3. Should we improve our local zoning regulations to promote more agritourism?

   Absolutely

4. What are your thoughts on increasing the minimum lot size from 1 to 5 acres? Are you concerned about how land would be given to children or family members if it is increased to 5 acres? What are your other concerns regarding this approach?

   Should definitely be a minimum of 5 acres if not more. If other counties in the state can do it - so can Kenton

   [Signature] Sandy Head