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Committee looks at Lee impact fees

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Lee County-- The debate over whether to keep impact fees in Lee County continues.

Monday night, the Lee County Impact Fee Advisory Committee began re-assessing whether the fees are good for the county. The county instituted the fees last year to help keep up with rapid growth but some commissioners say they're hindering commercial development.

Committee Chairman Eddie Hinman says he only wants to do what's fair.

"When we met last year, that was one of our concerns, whether or not commercial impact fees would hamper commercial growth in Lee County so that's one of the reasons why we're glad to come back and look at it again and come up with solutions as to what the perceived problems are," said Hinman.

Committee members agreed Monday night to hold another meeting this week with homebuilders and the consultants who did the initial impact fee study. Commissioners could vote on the issue at their next meeting.

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