

Minutes of the Comprehensive Planning Committee  
March 9, 2010, 7:30 pm  
Copake Town Hall

Members Present: Charles Dodson, Roberta Roll, Marcia Becker, Bill Kiernan, Frank Peteroy, Rus Davis, Jeanne Mettler

Members Absent: Harvey Weber, George Beneke

The minutes from Feb. 18th were approved.

Mr. Dodson reported that he has been researching grant agencies. Among them is the Rheinstrom Community Foundation; they award 20-25 grants per year, many of which go to soup kitchens, arts groups and government groups. They are open to almost any topic and there are no application deadlines.

The grants subcommittee of the CPC will meet at 6:15 on March 18th, before the regular meeting.

Ms. Mettler reported that she and Mr. Kiernan had reviewed the Ag. report drafted by Harry Dodson and Paul Lascinsky. They felt that this latest draft (27 pages) seems on target, and she will send it to us by tomorrow. Margaret Irwin is hoping that we can all review and approve it by the time we meet with her next. Ultimately, it will become the Ag. piece of the comp. plan.

Ms. Mettler referred to our next meeting, which ATC will attend, and she asked if we thought 1/2 hour would be enough time. We would also have to review the Ag. report. Ms. Roll said she did not think this would be enough time, and others agreed. Ms. Roll said that they have been waiting a long time to meet with us, and they have prepared a detailed presentation for us, including a SWOT for each area of Copake. We agreed that we should give ATC 1 - 1/2 hours. Ms. Mettler then suggested that we need to postpone our meeting with Ms. Irwin, and she will contact her for other dates. She asked that we all read the Ag. piece so we can review it and the focus group reports at our next meeting on Mar. 18th.

Mr. Dodson said he submitted a report on the GIS to the Town Board, along with a request to renew the maintenance agreement. Since May '09, the system has been installed and updated, and Copake has been registered. Mr. Dodson is taking a course in GIS. Col. County mapping will be completed in April 2010. Mr. Dodson has information on getting large maps printed.

The rest of the meeting was devoted to reviewing the remainder of the Community Profile, which we completed.

Mr. Davis made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Dodson seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta Roll