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MEETING MINUTES

Town of Lake Luzerne Comprehensive Plan Committee

Date: Monday, June 2, 2008

Time: 7pm

Purpose: Review Draft Comprehensive Plan and Discuss Public Meeting

Next Meeting Scheduled for Monday, July 7th at 7pm, Town Hall

1. Elan opened the meeting by reviewing the minutes from the May 5th meeting. The only comment raised was an observation that although Stan Goldberg had expressed the interest of the Fourth Lake Community in the Plan, there were no representatives from that group at the public meeting held at the Hadley-Luzerne School on May 7th. No other comments, questions or changes were noted.
2. Elan explained to the Committee that they had a request by the Fourth Lake Association to hold a meeting with them over the summer about the Comprehensive Plan. Due to the fact that that group did not have a focus group meeting at the beginning of the process, it was decided that it would be acceptable for Elan to agree to meet with the Fourth Lake people. Patricia Goldberg asked that we confirm a date with her so that she may attend that meeting. All other committee members were invited to attend as well. The date for that meeting will be scheduled and the committee will be notified.
3. The summary of the public comments from the May 7th meeting, along with Elan suggestions on those comments, was given to the committee for discussion. Each item from both the public comment at the meeting and from the May 7 letter from the Lake Luzerne Association was discussed at length. In-depth conversations revolved around a range of issues and comments, and a decision was reached by the committee regarding each issue. A number of changes to the plan were proposed based on the public comments. Elan will make these changes and submit a revised Draft Plan to the committee for their review.
4. The issue was raised of holding another public meeting in the summer in order to include the seasonal residents in the planning process. It was determined that it is a good idea to include as many people in the process as possible. With that said, Elan explained that it will be difficult to discuss the progress on the Zoning Ordinance at such an early time because the process is circular and the zoning is often not done until it is done. This makes it difficult to present the updated Ordinance until it has been completed, because there are so many unresolved issues that lend themselves to unanswerable questions. This issue will be discussed further at the next meeting.
5. Elan will bring an updated schedule to the July 7th meeting for discussion.

6. Elan explained that the committee will be making a shift into the update of the Zoning Ordinance. It was requested that every committee member obtain a copy of the current Ordinance. Elan will be providing each committee member with a 3-ring binder at the next meeting for organization of the zoning materials that will be part of the working process of updating the zoning. This binder will contain a section for each proposed Article of the Ordinance and should be brought to all subsequent committee meetings.
7. Lisa Nagle presented to the committee a preliminary outline for the revised Table of Contents of the Lake Luzerne Zoning Ordinance. This Table of Contents outline showed the changes made to the old TOC, including the location of sections that will be moved to different articles, reordering of articles and sections, and any new articles that will be added. Lisa Nagle explained that these changes are meant to bring the Zoning Ordinance into compliance with the new Draft Comprehensive Plan and with State law, as well as to streamline it and make it easier to use.
8. Elan re-iterated to the committee that they had met with Bob Forte and compiled a preliminary list of issues relating to the update of the Zoning Ordinance based on his comments. Elan will summarize this list and circulate it to the committee, along with a comprehensive list of recommendations from the Draft Plan relating to proposed zoning changes.
9. The committee was asked to come to the next meeting with their top three issues in the current Zoning Ordinance that they feel need to be addressed with the highest priority. Committee members are welcome to submit any suggestions and issues with the Zoning Ordinance to Elan at any time.
10. The public comment period was opened, and the committee was addressed by Fredrick Mayo. Mr. Mayo had a written list of comments about the Comprehensive Plan that he gave to Elan and the committee. The committee stated that they need time to review said comments before being able to respond. These comments will be reviewed by Elan and the committee, and will be discussed thoroughly at the next committee meeting.
- 11. The next Committee Meeting was scheduled for Monday, June 2nd at 7pm at Town Hall.**