

Town of Washington Comprehensive Plan Update Committee

September 25, 2008

The Town of Washington Comprehensive Plan Update Committee held a workshop meeting on Thursday, September 25, 2008, 7:30 P.M., at the Town Hall, 10 Reservoir Drive, Millbrook, NY.

Master Plan Committee members present: Co-Chair Donald Hanson, Robert Audia, Jerry Baker, Jesse Bontecou, Frank Genova, Maureen King, Timothy Marshall, David Strayer, Daniel Weller, James Shequine.

Co-Chair Hanson reported on the selection of River Street Planning, Troy, NY as the consultant recommended to the Town Board on September 11, 2008. This consultant was selected for their proposal, public involvement, good reputation, and being able to hold more meetings than the other consultants that were considered.

The role of the consultant will be to meet on a 1:1 basis with sub-committees and chairs, followed by the whole committee, the meetings are to take place in late afternoons, early evenings. Consultant to review all sub-committee reports. Will prepare a narrative for comprehensive plan update. Consultant to send out questionnaires to the public. A survey is to be posted on the Town website. Consultant to compose articles for Millbrook Round Table, Website, on their progress. Consultant to meet with sub-chairs at end of month.

Committee discussed focus groups, how to define large land owners, process, coordination, with Village, suggested to include a chapter in the master plan update recognizing village.

Committees to share final reports, suggested to have the Town Clerk put on CD's. Suggested that inter-municipal relations should be maintained.

Sub-Committee Final Reports were submitted by the following chairs:

Tim Marshall, Jesse Bontecou, Howard Schuman, Land Use Committee

Jerry Baker, Municipal and Cultural Resources Committee

Maureen King, Housing Committee

David Strayer, Frank Genova, Natural Resources Committee

The next workshop is scheduled for October 30, 2008, 7:30 P.M., at the Town Hall. The workshop adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Nikki Caul, secretary