

Village of Hastings on Hudson
Comprehensive Plan Committee
Meeting #21
October 22nd, 2008

Attending: Richard Bass, Ellen Hendrickx, Lynda Merchant, Steve Corrigan, Harry Thomas, Jim Metzger, Rebecca Strutton, Kathy Sullivan,
Absent: Betsy Imershein, Carolyn Summers

Welcome: 8:00 PM

Roll Call: a quorum was present

1. Approval of Minutes: Postponed until next meeting

2. Reports

RFP for planning consultant: 6 responses to the posting for the consultant. A revised date was posted on the web site for submissions. Susan Maggiotto reported that she believes 6 more will be forthcoming.

The request to the various village boards and committees for an update on goals and mission for the planning consultant done by Betsy is still not resolved. The reports are due back to CPC end of November.

3. Report on the small meeting at the High School in the Contemporary Politics class is available on the web site. Richard Bass suggested that the committee try to get some more buy in from the school district at the Middle School and the elementary School level. Lynda will try to talk with Gail Kipper in the middle school and Steve Corrigan will try the Elementary school ad report back.

Topics

Transportation, Infrastructure and storm water management report by Steve Corrigan
There was no major issue with storm water management at the small meetings but he believes we are at capacity now. Infrastructure is old and there is definitely increased water usage in the village. We need to insure that the water grates are cleared by the DPW and maintenance issues are most pressing throughout the village. Infrastructure: In the Hunter Student report we saw that there is a need to be more efficient in our maintenance schedule- maybe outsourcing is needed to get the job done and that our infrastructure is very old. Transportation: Parking keeps coming up as an issue along with sidewalk repair. There seems to be a need to reduce the traffic on Broadway (a state road). The state is looking at Broadway. Grants were out there for sidewalk repair but the grant was not realized. Jim M. reported that the Trustees reviewed the grant and it was just a matter of need based assessment on granting the monies.

RFP Vetting Process: Kathy S will circulate a checklist for vetting the various consultants who apply through the RFP process. The time line is that the committee will interview during the of November 12th. Hopefully recommend to the Trustees the first week in December with a decision by December 10th. Jim M. pointed out that we may need two more weeks to vet the RFP.

Betsy Imershein, Jim Metzger, Harry Thomas, Ellen Hendrickx will comprise the committee with help from Richard Bass and Rebecca Strutton.

A brief discussion was held regarding the pros and cons of taping the interviews and subsequent discussion about the consultants for the RFP. It was decided by consensus that the meetings will be executive sessions without the public and without the videotaping. Consequently, November 12th and December 10th meetings will be executive sessions.

9:00 pm Adjournment