

Town of Westerlo

Comprehensive Plan Committee Minutes

Meeting on Wednesday, September 9th, 2020

The Town of Westerlo Comprehensive Plan Committee held a meeting on Wednesday August 26th 2020 at the Town Hall located at 933 County Route 401, Westerlo, NY. Committee Chair Dave Lendrum opened the meeting at 7 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Attending Committee members:

Dave Lendrum, Jill Henck, Tom Della Rocco and Bill Scrafford were present in person. Steve Cornell and John Sefcik were present via Zoom meeting.

Not in attendance: Kelley Keefe and Guy Weidman

Others in attendance: Dianne Sefcik was present via Zoom.

1. Minutes: Tom made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 26th meeting and Bill S. seconded it. All members voted in favor.

2. The Editing Sub Committee commented and updated the group on their previous meeting. They looked at extraneous information and wording to make a more concise and unified document. The sub committee suggested putting the inventories at the end of the comprehensive plan as an appendix, but no final decisions were made.

3. The committee had agreed to use the Editing Sub Committee for the second edits of the inventories that are completed. It was confirmed that first drafts will go back to the original writer for improvement and the second draft will be edited by the editing sub committee. Dave made a motion to approve this process, Bill seconded. Barb abstained and all else in attendance approved.

4. The committee discussed how to write goals and actions/recommendations for the next meeting. As a committee, one draft goal was discussed.

a. Example:

9. Controls the location, size and scope of new development through the use of zoning tools.

a. *Goal: promote housing and commercial development within the hamlet of Westerlo*

Action: Investigate the feasibility of a sewer system.

Action: Get funding and explore grants for financing to improve water system

Action: Improve walkability of the Hamlet

5. The committee was asked to look at the Survey Results, the SWOT analysis, and the

notes from the Sub Level Meetings throughout June and July to draft a list of our most critical and overlapping concerns, then draft goals and actions for those concerns.

Jill made a motion to adjourn at 8:28pm. Bill seconded.

The next meeting is Wed, September 23, 2020 at Town Hall or via Zoom.

Submitted by,

Dave Lendrum
Comp Plan Committee Chair