

**Copake Hamlet Revitalization Task Force**  
**Wednesday, Feb. 24, 2016 7pm**  
**Copake Town Hall**

**Present:** Lenny Barham, Rus Davis, Andrew Fisher, Peter Kelly, Chris Quinby, Roberta Roll

**Absent:** Jennifer Redmond

**Town Liaison:** Jeanne Mettler, absent

1. Tabled until next meeting: Approval of minutes from Feb. 10, 2016

2. Rapid Care Center update: construction is on schedule; Bill van Slyke said the DoH will be in in April; then one month or so for opening, maybe late spring.

3. Hamlet Plan - next steps: grants, research water and sewer:

Lenny gave a report on his conversation with Art Baer on Hilsdale's sewer system.

There was a discussion of what would happen if there was not a sewer system; what are the zoning rules for septic and wells. What are the alternatives to a sewer system; waste water systems.

a. We need to research the parcels in the hamlet in terms of septic and water.

b. Potential hamlet parcels: Pateman building; Copake Inn, Duplex, Wine Works building (4 businesses), Ruth Thomas' house, Tac Tel building

c. How will we "sell" either water, sewer or both?

Next step: get an engineer to speak to CHRTF.

Once we get inland waterways designation, we can apply for various grants.

Rus will investigate some hamlet parcels re: water & septic.

4. Grants: Margaret will be getting some initial info. Peter will look into getting the CFA.

5. Climate Smart Communities - CAC: According to two newspaper articles, Copake is not a CSC; there is money available. We thought we were. Roberta will speak to Edgar Masters about pursuing this.

6. Workshop for Zoning Review: March 21, 7pm - Roberta will attend, perhaps Andy & Rus.

7. CEDC Strategic Plan for Columbia County: Feb 26, 1pm at Columbia Greene; Andy is attending; money available for hamlets, trails, waterfronts, etc.

8. Summer Music Program - Block Party?: Should we do another one? Chris will speak with Fiona.

9. Other business:

a. Roberta is developing an info sheet for new members.

b. All the sound equipment is at the Grange; waiting for the video equipment. Chris will set up the sound system. We will have a gangster film festival. John Pollok has selected the films and will speak.

The meeting ended at 9pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lenny Barham