

Copake Hamlet Revitalization Task Force
September 9, 2015 - 7:00 p.m.
Copake Town Hall

Present:, Peggy Lewis, John Pollok, Chris Quinby, Jennifer Redman, and Roberta Roll, Chair

Absent: Rus Davis

Other: Town Liaison Jeanne Mettler

1. Bike Copake

130 riders are currently pre-registered for the Roe Jan Ramble, which is taking place on Saturday, September 19th. Thus far \$6,000 has been raised for the Copake extension of the Harlem Valley Rail Trail. There are no matching funds this year as there were last year. There will be volunteers along the 10-mile route and after that the other routes (25, 35 and 50 miles) are marked. The Harlem Valley Rail Ride donated snacks and Bill Kiernan of Hudson Valley Fresh donated milk. The Copake Front Porch market donated coffee and Stewart's in Hillsdale donated donuts. Columbia County is looking to put the Bike Copake information on its tourism website.

2. Grange Film Series

The Grange membership has a meeting on Monday afternoon at 1 pm to discuss using the grant money they received to purchase equipment for the film series.

3. Fundraising for Rapid Care Center

The committee discussed raising additional funds by using the letter on a limited basis as a fundraising tool with a September 30th deadline to raise the remaining funds necessary.

4. Hamlet Plan Presentation

The Hamlet Plan will be presented to the Town Board and Copake residents on Saturday September 12th at 10 a.m. Ian Law of Place Alliance and Margaret Irwin of River Street Planning will present the plan. The meeting was announced in the Copake Connection newsletter and was posted on the Copake by Design web page. It was also listed on the town website. It is hoped that at its October board meeting, the Town Board will adopt the plan, which is a necessary step to obtain funding for the initiatives in it.

5. Committee Budget

The committee needs to submit a budget to the Town Board. The committee is going to research the cost of a wastewater study and income survey and then submit a number.

Next Meeting: September 23rd.
Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Redman