

Minutes from Copake Revitalization Task Force
Wednesday, July 13, 2016
7:00PM at Copake Town Hall

Present: Peter Kelly, Chris Quinby, Roberta Roll, Lenny Barham
Jeanne Mettler - Board liaison
Absent: Jennifer Redman, Andy Fisher

1. **Approved minutes** from June 22nd, 2016.
2. **Discussed Broadband** and applications have been made. Columbia Connect meeting very well attended. Question asked- Who is representing Copake? Roberta will ask Jeff. Copake should “ask” state for funding. Fairpoint has had minor improvements. There will be 4 to 5 years for a roll out plan and a booster is needed to make service faster.
3. **LUR Workshop** lasted over 2 hours and Roberta spoke for 20 minutes on the concerns the task force had. Edgar Masters is on the Land Use Review Committee. The committee will explore the issues we raised, in particular the 1/2 and 1/4 zoning recommendations for the Hamlet. The solar panel issue was raised by Jeanne and will be addressed as well. Roberta will stay in touch with Bob Haight and Chris Grant.
4. **Grange Movie Nights** – The issue of getting the proper license to show movies if a fee is to be charged. How and who will get the license for copyright movies? The Grange is only concerned about getting the rental fee for the space of \$100.00 and the Task Force as/or the sponsor of movies is responsible for everything else. Chris and Roberta will make sure we get the info on licensing from John Pollok.
5. **Grants/CFA**. Peter researched grants and we most likely would qualify for the inland waterway grant. This is a matching grant that the town would need to match funds. It was discussed creating a bikeway to link the Hamlet with the Harlem Valley Rail Trail via the cow tunnel under Rt. 22 by Ruge's. There will be a meeting with DOT to work out the possibility and logistics of using the tunnel. The grants require a lot of tedious and legal questions that need to be addressed. Roberta and Peter will meet next week to see if this is doable. Roberta will ask the Board for a resolution to apply for the grant at the Board meeting tomorrow evening.
6. **Bike Copake**. 900 bikes were expected at the Harlem Valley Rail ride this coming July 24th. The Albany MS100 Mile Ride will pass through Copake. The Roe Jan Ramble ride will be on September 24th and should business day be the same date? Hillsdale and Ancram will join Copake in sponsoring the Roe Jan Ramble bike event again this year - Sept. 24.
7. **Business Day**. The Business day date was discussed and it was decided that September 24th would work. Various ideas for outreach were discussed and who may be potential businesses to participate. There is still discussion on if a pharmacy is viable in the Hamlet and what type of space they would require. The GMC closure on Rt. 22 was

mentioned and it was forced to close due to not having a showroom the corporation requires. The Hub may become a sandwich shop however that is not certain yet. Roberta will talk to Yanai about the possibility of a pharmacy going into their other space. She will also ask Mike Lyman if he knows anyone who would go into Ruge's/GMC.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Kelly