

## Copake Hamlet Revitalization Task Force 10/24/12

1. Nancy will issue minutes for Oct 10 and Oct 24
2. Jeanne, Karen DiPeri and Roberta are working on developing an e-mail list and creating a process for sending routine economic development e-mails to town citizens.  
•Jeanne, Roberta and Karen will continue to work on this.
3. We will start to meet with town business owners in the hamlet. We will prepare questions relevant for each interviewee.

How is your business? We are interested in supporting your business.

How can we help you reach the common goals of the town comp plan? We want to work with you to make you a thriving part of the community.

### Interviewees:

Mike Lindig's Auto Body Shop

High Voltage – Mike Peschel

Morgan Motors

First Niagara Bank

Sunoco

Studio 500

Sunrise/Sunset B&B

General Store

Dad's Diner (Donnie)

Church Street Deli – Dave Valden

Laundromat – Lynn Main

Jim's Auto Body

Key Bank – Nancy Rutter

Donna Peck Realty

Brad Peck Insurance

High Voltage – Mike Peschel

Copake Auction

Copake Lumber – Bill Miles

Copake Veterinary Hospital

Callen Family Care

Langdonhurst – John Langdon

Pigasso?

- Roberta will try to schedule two guests separately per regular meeting.

4. Urgent Care – John will e-mail his handout to me

Columbia Memorial will have a new board chair starting in mid December. We will have a meeting scheduled with him to pitch an urgent care center in Copake.

John is leading the development of a business case based on the attached document. It will include:

There are a lot of people in eastern Columbia County who are not conveniently serviced. (Nancy)

Demonstrate they can make money here

Copake is center of eastern Columbia County

Population justifies it.

Columbia Memorial owns Callen Family Care

They could use the Callen facility without making an additional investment in facility, or just add on to the building.

Have the business case ready in mid December.

- John will find the statistics on ER usage
- Nancy will work on census statistics

1. Senior Living – Nancy collected information about Watermark Communities to pursue as a potential senior living enterprise to develop a facility in the Copake Hamlet. They do both rehabs of existing facilities and new construction. They have several facilities south and west of The Fountains at Millbrook and a facility in Copake would round out their coverage. Watermark is a for-profit entity and would pay property taxes. They take only private pay residents.

Copake would benefit economically through the jobs for people to work there as well as creating customers to do business with our local businesses year round. The facility may not be appropriate to house a large number of local residents.

- Nancy is trying to connect with the person at Watermark who works on facility development to determine the characteristics they look for in prospective development areas.

2. Town assignments

We reviewed the Comp Plan Implementation table (in the dropbox). The task force is moving forward on the assigned tasks but needs to coordinate with the CEAB and the LURC.

It also became clear that we need to move forward developing a formal plan with professional assistance.

- John will use the Hillsdale RFP to start to draft a Copake hamlet RFP.
- Roberta will formally request a meeting with the LURC.
- Roberta will try to set up a short time with the CEAB at one of our future meetings.

**Next meeting: Wed November 14, 7 pm, Town Hall**