

Comprehensive Plan Meeting- April 20, 2017

Agenda and Discussion Guide

Welcome- Recap- what is a comprehensive plan? Why is it important? Benefits? Goals?

A Comprehensive Plan is not a law. It is an expression of a community's goals and the recommended actions to achieve those goals. An outline for orderly growth, providing continued guidance for decision making. A document focusing on immediate and long-range protection, enhancement, growth and development. -NYS Division of Local Government Services

State Statutes define a Comprehensive Plan as "the materials, written and/or graphic, including but not limited to maps, charts, studies, resolutions, reports, and other descriptive material that identify the goals, objectives, principles, guidelines, policies, standards, devices, and instruments for the immediate and long-range protection, enhancement, growth and development" of the municipality.-

Helpful with annual budget, capital plan, grant applications, land use guidance, growth management, and prioritizing work.

Guided Discussion:

Existing plan from 2000- what is still relevant in that Plan? How does it compare?

Are there additions to the:

Strengths- Weaknesses- Opportunities- Threats ?

Do the Goals and Actions provide solutions to our Weaknesses and Threats?

Do the Goals and Actions capitalize on our Strengths and Opportunities?

Discussion of components of the plan- 10 minute limit for each section

Historic Preservation, Municipal Services, Agriculture, Land Use, Environmental and Natural Resources, Community Facilities and Programs, Built Environment: Utilities, Infrastructure, Transportation, Housing, Economic Development

Vision Statements, Goals, Actions- What is missing?

Are there better wording suggestions?

Are the Goals and Actions consistent with the needs laid out in the Introduction?

Are the Goals and Actions consistent with the Vision Statement?

Are there goals and actions missing based on this?

Next Meeting Date-

Adjourn- 8:15