

Community Forum, May 22, 2010
Cold Spring Special Board for a Comprehensive Plan

Introduction to the May 22, 2010 Community Forum

In the Spring of 2010, the Special Board for a Comprehensive Plan organized a series of public forums to discuss issues that had surfaced during the prior 2 ½ years of work on the comprehensive plan. The topics at those meetings were: the Riverfront; the Foundry/Marathon/Campbell properties; Two Main Streets; Village Character. Most of the forums were held on Saturdays, at the VFW hall on Kemble Avenue, to make them accessible to as many people from the community as possible. (The exception was a forum held the evening of Monday, May 10, 2010, on The Two Main Streets, to enable business owners to attend.)

The forum held on May 22 was designed as a culmination of the previous forums. At the May 22 forum, the meeting was scheduled from 1:30 PM to 4 PM. Attendees were encouraged to spend as much time at the forum as they wanted, viewing the materials and talking with Special Board members and other Village residents who had assisted in the research and preparation of the materials at each table. Each of the six tables contained materials on one of the following topics:

- Environment/Quality of Life
- Village Character – Neighborliness, Renovations and Development, Historic Districts
- The Riverfront – Dockside, a Riverwalk, Boating
- Economic Vitality/Parking/Control of Taxes
- Community Facilities – Butterfield Commons, the Firehouse/Community Center
- The Foundry/Marathon/Campbell properties

Attendees were each given six “red dots” and instructed that they could affix these dots to topics or statements about which they felt strongly. Attendees were also encouraged to write whatever comments they wished at each of the tables on the six topics - or any other topic that was of interest to them.

What follows are the transcribed notes, photos of the posters on each of the six tables, and a tally of forum attendees’ placement of the red dots.