

## **Village of Cold Spring**

### **Code Update Committee**

**February 12, 2015**

The Code Update Committee of the Village of Cold Spring held a meeting on Thursday, February 12, 2015 at 7:03 PM at the Village Hall, 85 Main Street, Cold Spring, NY.

Attending were Committee Chair Jack Goldstein, Vice-Chair Marie Early, members Mike Armstrong, Terry Lahey, Donald MacDonald; liaison to NYSERDA Stephanie Hawkins. Member Barney Molloy was absent.

1. The January 22, 2015 minutes were brought forth by Mr. Goldstein for approval. Mr. Armstrong made a motion to approve the minutes of January 22, 2015. Mr. Lahey made a second to the motion and the motion carried with a unanimous vote.

2. Trustees Report – Bruce Campbell had nothing to report.

3. Chair's Report – Mr. Goldstein stated that he would unavoidably be unable to attend the Feb. 26 committee meeting; Ms. Early will chair that meeting. Mr. Goldstein reported that he had been privately approached by a resident about an aspect of the Code about where it stood and the committee's thinking on it. He told the resident he would be unable to discuss the topic and suggested the resident attend the committee meetings and make any comments there. Mr. Goldstein related to the committee that he felt it is not appropriate for committee members to have discussions such as this and to encourage people to attend meetings and public input session. Mr. Goldstein also stated that he had reported committee progress at a Village Board workshop and again at the Village Board monthly meeting workshop session. He said that he expressed his concern about the eventual costs of SEQRA process, that he didn't think the costs (his estimate is at least \$10,000) are reflected in the budget. There was discussion about how the costs could be covered. It was agreed that the SEQRA costs would not occur during the 2015-2016 budget; as the committee makes progress during the fiscal year, there will be a better understanding of expenditures and potential actions can be taken at that time including seeking additional grants or requesting money from the Village. Mr. Goldstein agreed that he would take on the task of making clear to the Village Board the potential of additional costs. A question was asked about Mr. Goldstein's statement that the process would take one year while the current schedule shows more time than that. Mr. Goldstein said he would correct that.

4. Member Reports – Mr. Armstrong stated that 150 hours of member time have been recorded thus far. He has not yet received the hourly rates from NYSERDA.

5. NYSERDA Contract – The committee comments have been sent to NYSERDA. Mr. Goldstein had a detailed conversation with NYSERDA about the metrics; NYSERDA felt it was important for B&L to undertake the first metrics report to establish the template for future reporting. Daniel Guerra is the contact person at NYSERDA for content questions; the committee should identify a single contact person for Mr. Guerra. There is no date yet for NYSERDA's response.

It was agreed that there would be a committee meeting the week of Feb. 16; Mr. Goldstein will work with Mrs. Saari to establish the date and generate the notice.

6. B&L Contract – Mr. Goldstein asked for comments on the B&L contract. Members provided same with significant discussion on the contract and the budget. It was noted that for Task 2.1, B&L would attend approximately 1 in every 3 meetings.

7. Research Methodology/Permitted Uses example – Ms. Early and Mr. Lahey reviewed their research with the committee; the research required over 10 hours of work. Mr. Armstrong provided the Land And Water Uses section of the Local Waterfront Revitalization Strategy (LWRS) which contains LWRS statements which are pertinent to this research. Mr. Lahey pointed out that the zoning map in the LWRS does not contain B4-A. There was valuable discussion on the first pages of the research. However, it became evident that some form of structure or organization was required to enable fruitful discussion. Ms. Early volunteered to better organize the data such that the committee can get to the important points and issues; the data re-organization will be completed prior to the next meeting. Mr. MacDonald will research other code uses of “B&B”, “tourist home”, “hotel”, “overnight accommodation”.

8. Public Comment – There was no public comment.

9. Old Business – There was no old business.

10. New Business – There was no new business.

The next meeting will be on February 18, 2015 in the Village Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:13 PM with a motion from Ms. Early and a second from Mr. Armstrong and carried with a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie E. Early