

**Village of Cold Spring
Code Update Committee
August 13, 2015**

The Code Update Committee of the Village of Cold Spring held a meeting on Thursday, August 13, 2015 at 7:00 PM at the Village Hall, 85 Main Street, Cold Spring NY
Attending were Carolyn Bachan, Nora Hart, Terry Lahey and Ethan Timm.
Member absent: Donald Mac Donald

Trustee Marie Early opened the meeting at 7:04 P.M. by acknowledging Board members and audience member Stephanie Hawkins.

The minutes of the last meeting were not reviewed since there was not a quorum. Since that last meeting the number of Board members has been reduced from seven members to five members.

Status of NYSERDA grant –The Village Board of Trustees authorized Mayor Merandy to sign the NYSERDA contract at the July 28, 2015 Board of Trustees Meeting. The NYSERDA requirement is that two copies had to be signed. It is not yet known if the signed copies have been sent out.

Mr. Lahey asked if the original resolution from the May 28, 2015 CUC meeting had been approved by the Village Board of Trustees (VBOT). Trustee Marie Early noted it was not since the original resolution was changed by the CUC before being sent to the VBOT. Trustee Marie Early will locate the original resolution and the updated resolution.

In the NYSERDA Contract there must be a contractor/coordinator who defines the content of each meeting, captures minutes, and attendees and somewhat steers the Board. Trustee Marie Early has been appointed to the position of Coordinator by Mayor Merandy.

Mr. Lahey recommended that a chair for the board not be decided at this meeting due to not every member was present.

The Village Board approved Greenplan as the consultants. Ted Fink will be the only person from the Greenplan Company to work on this Village project and he will attend the August 27th meeting. The first order of business for Greenplan is to develop the metrics.

The NYSERDA agreement contains a schedule for submission of bills to NYSERDA. The Village must pay the expenses until NYSERDA reimburses the Village.

Member reports

Ms. Bachan – topic consistency within the Village Code Ms. Bachan reviewed the Village Code for inconsistencies and omissions. Ms. Bachan noted she put together a memorandum of inconsistency that will require further review.

The NYSERDA process was discussed. The NYSERDA process requires public information sessions to gather input for each of the code amendments and further deliberation by the CUC before recommendations are made to the VBOT. The first public information session will cover 10 “Use” topics.

The second public information session will cover the 7 “Appearance” topics, and so on. The VBOT will conduct a Public Hearing on the entire set of code updates/amendments. It is expected that the CUC will

meet with the VBOT after each public input session. NYSERDA requires an attendance list from each public input session.

Trustee Marie Early reviewed Bed and Breakfasts in the Village by reviewing the previous board member opinions and noted the new members can review Bed and Breakfasts in the Village.

Ethan Timm – topic “waterfront recreation” Mr. Timm noted he had researched Beacon, Newburgh and Peekskill. Trustee Early suggested for Mr. Timm to look into the City of Beacon ZBA and see if they have anything on waterfront usage for recreation.

Trustee Early discussed a Public Engagement Campaign and the potential for different ways of conducting a survey. Trustee Early also noted there appears to be overlap between Historic District Review Board (HDRB) activities on one or more Code topics which could make it beneficial for the two groups (HDRB and CUC) to work together and potentially jointly use some of the Greenway grant.

Mr. Lahey moved to adjourn the meeting and it was approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:41P.M.

Respectfully submitted by
Linda Valentino