

**VILLAGE OF COLD SPRING
SPECIAL BOARD for a
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN/LOCAL WATERFRONT REVITALIZATION PLAN**

**Minutes
Meeting of April 12, 2012
At Village Hall, 85 Main Street**

Present: Mike Armstrong, Chair; Anne Impellizzeri, Vice-Chair; Members: Karen Doyle, Marie Early, Cathryn Fadde, Stephanie Hawkins, Michael Reisman, Dick Weissbrod

Absent: Anthony Phillips

Also present: Bruce Campbell, liaison from the Village Board

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm.

Remarks of Chair

Mike Armstrong said that the LWRP work plan had been received from NYS and he has asked for the contract that accompanies the work plan. Anne Impellizzeri and Armstrong have reviewed the work plan and have exchanged emails with Jaime Ethier who suggests potentially 3 community meetings (possibly May, September and October). The work plan follows the LWRS work plan. Jaime recognizes that most of the early requirements have already been completed and we are working on the last several sections of the work plan, and that the start date for the LWRP work plan can be established as April, 2011 which may mean that volunteer hours starting from April, 2011 can be counted toward the LWRP grant contract (this needs to be confirmed). In addition, Jaime has said the contract can cover the legal costs of \$750 for the work on underwater boundaries. Ted Fink of GreenPlan has agreed to have the GreenPlan contract lowered to \$24,250 allowing the \$750 to be spent on the legal work. Once everything is finalized, the state contract and the GreenPlan contract will be reviewed by Steve Gaba, Village Attorney. The Village Treasurer is working on the budget change to reflect the additional \$2,000 appropriation from the Village Board (to cover additional expenses) in anticipation of reimbursement. To date, GreenPlan has used all currently allocated funds and has stopped work on the 13 policies until the appropriation comes through.

Armstrong reminded Special Board members that their March timesheets are due. He also reminded everyone that the Butterfield charrette is scheduled for April 14, and the Ray Curran conceptual drawings are available on the website. There is a May 11 deadline for GreenWay grants.

Marie Early gave an update on the Harbor Management Plan (HMP) work group. The work group did site visits to the four sites (Foundry Dock Park, the Cold Spring Boat Club, the Main Dock, Dockside) on Monday, April 9. The common issues are erosion/corrosion. Early reported that these common issues do not seem substantial enough for a community meeting on May 5. The next meeting will be April 16 and the intent of that meeting will be to finalize the content for the May 5th meeting. A Special Board discussion on HMP topics for the May 5th meeting was deferred to later in the evening's agenda.

Minutes – March 22, 2012

Impellizzeri made a motion to approve the amended minutes which had been circulated to the Special Board. The motion was seconded by Dick Weissbrod and adopted unanimously with 2 abstentions (Cathryn Fadde and Michael Reisman had been absent at the March 22 meeting).

A question was raised as to whether the Village Board had made a request for a Special Board report on Foodtown. At the Village Board meeting on March 27, there had been discussion about a Foodtown report; there were positive comments about such a report but no formal request was made.

Planning Board Liaison Report

Weissbrod reported that the Foodtown Post Office topic is on hold; Foodtown will apply for a change of use once the Post Office has vacated the building. There has been discussion by the Planning Board to hire people to be located on Marion Avenue in afternoons to provide safety for children with truck traffic.

Elmesco appeared at the recent Planning Board meeting but did not bring the site documents; those documents are needed for the Planning Board workshop on April 17. Weissbrod said that “formula” businesses (such as a Dunkin Donuts franchise) can change the “corporate” look of the building and signage and maybe there is opportunity to work through the issues for Elmesco. Weissbrod said there is a critical issue – Grey’s Printing and the Main Course have no access to any public way; there is an easement through Elmesco. There is a one way exit from Grey’s/the Main Course to Marion Avenue but no direct entrance at this time from Route 9D. This would have to be addressed in the Elmesco request.

Weissbrod also noted that the West Point Foundry Preserve may appear before the Planning Board but he didn’t know what they might be planning.

Weissbrod asked how the LWRS applies to the Planning Board’s considerations – is it something that guides the PB or something the PB must abide by? Armstrong answered that the LWRS will evolve over time into an LWRP; the binding document now is the Comprehensive Plan (and eventually the LWRP when it is adopted).

Foodtown Area Report

Armstrong and the SB strongly complimented Stephanie Hawkins on the work she and the group have done on the Foodtown area report. The Foodtown Area report was discussed and some changes were made. There was discussion as to the original request for this report and how it would be positioned vis a vis the LWRS. Hawkins made a motion that the Special Board approach the Village Board to issue a formal request to the Special Board for a report on the Foodtown area. The motion was seconded by Weissbrod and approved unanimously. Hawkins will circulate an updated document and will make any additional changes that are identified by Special Board members. Early made a motion that once the Village Board requests the report, it can be released as amended. The motion was seconded by Impellizzeri and approved unanimously. Once released, the Foodtown report can be placed on the Village website.

Planning the May 5 Community Workshop

Early reported that the Harbor Management Plan (HMP) work group continues to meet. The 4 areas the work group has been focused on do not have sufficient content for the May 5 community workshop. Suggestions were made for the following topics: ferries at the main dock; dredging at the Cold Spring Boat Club; non-motorized boating at Dockside. These topics will be discussed at the next HMP work group meeting on April 16.

Update on Projects for LWRP, including update and discussion on status of Overlook Park project, and others

Early reported that work on the Overlook Park project has been halted. Early received a phone call from Mayor Gallagher stating that the Overlook Park could not proceed while the salt shed is still on the Village Garage site. Armstrong also reported that the Building Bridges Building Boats storage shed would be located on the Village Garage site on the southern portion of the ridge, which was where a portion of the Overlook Park was to be located. Armstrong will send a letter to the Village Board asking them which LWRS projects should not proceed, and why.

Discussion on the RiverWalk project work group identified sidewalk easements, drawings or renderings of what the pedestrian / bike path would look like and the route it would follow, awareness of what other RiverWalk projects are doing, identification of funding sources for design and/or construction, the parcel at the corner of New Street and Market Street, and the handling of the two parcels at the entrance to Dockside. Term limits will be dropped from the projects list since there appears to be no compelling reason to change the term from 2 years to anything longer. Traffic noise had nothing to report yet. Central Hudson has been contacted about the natural gas project but has not provided any response yet.

Public Comment

The Dunkin Donuts at Annsville Circle was identified as a Dunkin Donuts that does not have a drive through and it does not have the "corporate" Dunkin Donuts look and does not appear to have a Dunkin Donuts sign.

Foodtown has no working drains.

Adjournment

Early made a motion to adjourn. This was seconded by Michael Reisman and unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 9:22 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Marie Early, Secretary

Signed,

Michael Armstrong