



Meeting Minutes

City & Town of Amsterdam, Town of Florida

Planning Committee

Tuesday, January 28, 2014
Centro Civico
143-145 East Main Street Amsterdam, NY

Attendance: (See sign in sheet, Attachment A)

Agenda: (see Agenda, Attachment B)

Agenda Item: Public Engagement Schedule – 3rd public engagement meeting Presenters: Amy Mahl, Nicole Zebrowski, John Wimbush.

Summary of Discussion:

- Next public meeting to be scheduled week of 2/10
 - Check with Amsterdam High School – the All County music festival is taking place 2/8 at high school – call school Principal to see if meeting can be arranged in conjunction with festival.
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Agenda Item: Projects Review

Presenter: Amy Mahl, Nicole Zebrowski

- a. Priority Projects
 - b. Other Projects
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Summary of Discussion:

City of Amsterdam:

Mobile Trailers:

- St. Mary's has mobile units (trailers)
 - Barkley School could be shelter and location for trailer.
 - Destefano Street (S. Amsterdam), Needs a generator, cots, etc.
- Need sheltering on North side too
 - McNulty School suggested
- St. Mary's hospital to find out the costs for a fully equipped medical trailer

Amtrak Train Station Relocation:

- City of Amsterdam to reach out to Clough Harbor & Assoc. for feasibility study on train station relocation

RiverWalk Project:

- Riverwalk project – Barton Loguidice performing feasibility study
 - City working on BOA and on phase II of Waterfront Heritage

This should be 2 Projects:

- Riverwalk and Waterfront Heritage area
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- Design for both can take place under one project
- Current description is all focused on the Riverwalk

Abandoned and damaged homes

- Most damaged homes rebuilt- no projects here.
- One location – the Route 5 Carpetland has been repeatedly damaged, and is now abandoned (Steadwell is closest cross street). This is the primary property that City would like to see included in this project
- City has some residential areas that regularly see damage. Discussed they should be considered for buy out. To follow up with Joe Abate.

New Project:

- Perhaps add infrastructure projects. Need to get details on storm water consent decree under NYSDEC, McDonald has all details including costs, from its flooding work.
- The City also has a North end BOA which overlaps the heritage BOA

New Project:

- The building next to Centro Civico was bought by Centro Civico, and plan is to be 2nd and 3rd floor housing and first floor (homeless, veterans, etc.); community youth; senior center and shelter. Centro Civico to send details including verbal cost estimate.

New Project:

- Park on East Main (between Lark and Kline) and across from St. Paul’s
- There is money available through Parks, but it needs a matching source of funds: \$140K
- Could be joint ownership: Centro Civico and City
- Did not flood but almost; area had to evacuate
- Centro Civico to send info on Parks award (Grant expires on 6/30).

Emergency Shelters

- Heather (Mont Co Planning) to look into County sheltering plan and list of shelters

Debris

- Connect with Heather and Pete Nichols on Schoharie Creek debris management

Next Steps

- For public meeting: create fact sheets for each jurisdiction’s projects
- Project development to continue
- Next public event to be scheduled for mid-February

Public Remarks

No members of the general public attended the meeting

ATTENDEES

Name	Phone	Email
See attached sign in sheet		