



Meeting Summary

Suffern Planning Committee Meeting 3

July 31, 2014, 5:30 to 7:30 PM

Suffern Community Center, Suffern NY

Attendance:

Committee Members: Beth Barone, James Lyons, Bruce Simon, Daniel McInerney, Dina Schmidt, Roy Tschudy

At Large Members: Jo Corrigan

Non-Committee Attendees: Rich Karpp, Alyssa Nordhause, Eva Nordhause, Patsy Wooters, Jerry Levitus, Jim Giannettino, Charles Sawicki, Ellen Jaffee, Christopher Jensen

GOSR Regional Lead: Suzanne Barclay

Consultant Team: Chris Robbins (AKRF), Flaam Hardy (AKRF), Elizabeth Matamoros (AKRF), Allie Zamow (ASC)

Agenda Item: Introductions

Presenter: Chris Robbins

Summary of discussion: Chris Robbins began the meeting welcoming all in attendance. He presented a list of steps in the planning process and discussed what we have worked on so far and what steps remain for the coming months.

Agenda Item: Public Engagement Meeting Recap

Presenter: Chris Robbins

Summary of discussion: Chris Robbins shared data and photos from the Public Engagement Meeting that occurred the past Tuesday, July 22nd. The event was a success with approximately 50 participants. The input received is reflected in the materials presented at this meeting.

Agenda Item: Geographic Scope of Plan

Presenter: Chris Robbins

Summary of discussion: Chris Robbins reviewed the geographic scope that includes the Village boundaries and a small portion of Mahwah, NJ where there is access to the West Ward of Suffern. This scope was presented and approved at the public engagement meeting and will be used throughout the remainder of the planning process. The committee approved the geographic scope.

Agenda Item: Community Vision

Presenter: Chris Robbins

Summary of discussion: Chris Robbins presented the revised vision and goals based on input from the planning committee and the public engagement meeting. The committee provided small edits to the vision and goals, including alphabetizing the goals to show that no priority is given to specific goals. The committee approved the vision and goals with the changes from this meeting.

Agenda Item: Community and Regional Assets**Presenter:** Chris Robbins

Summary of discussion: Chris Robbins presented the planning committee members with revised asset maps and lists. The committee reviewed them for any missing assets or those that needed corrections to their names or locations. The committee then went through each asset to assign community value and identify if there was storm damage, and if so the duration and extent of the damage. The project team will incorporate the input into the maps and lists to be presented at future meetings.

Agenda Item: Critical Issues**Presenter:** Chris Robbins

Summary of discussion: Chris Robbins presented the list of critical issues to the committee. The committee made small changes including incorporation of stream bed accretion and sewer backup. The committee approved the list of critical issues with these changes.

Agenda Item: Storm Damage**Presenter:** Chris Robbins

Summary of Discussion: Chris Robbins presented the list of storm damage areas in the village. The committee had no changes or additions and approved the list for use in the Suffern NYRCR Plan.

Agenda Item: Initial Needs and Opportunities Discussion**Presenter:** Chris Robbins

Summary of discussion: Chris provided a worksheet to the committee and shared the guidance of needs and opportunities from NYS. He provided examples of needs to the committee, and encouraged them to think about and identify short, mid, and long term needs of the Village after storms. The committee will complete the worksheet over the next week for discussion at the next meeting about the identified needs and potential opportunities.

Action Items	Person Responsible	Due Date
Provide electronic version of worksheet	Project Team	ASAP
Needs and Opportunities Worksheet	Planning Committee	8/6/14
Provide photographs of storm damage in Webfolders	Planning Committee	ASAP

Agenda Item: Public Comments**Presenter:** Public

Summary of discussion: Public attendees to the Planning Committee Meeting were given the opportunity to ask questions and provide comment.

Agenda Item: Schedule and Meetings**Presenter:** Chris Robbins

Summary of discussion: Chris Robbins reminded members of the dates for the upcoming planning meetings (8/14 & 8/28). The committee discussed potential options for the upcoming public engagement meeting for

early September. The committee decided to cancel the planning committee meeting on 9/11 for services in the community, and to reserve Wednesday 9/10 and Tuesday 9/16 as potential dates for planning and public meetings. The public engagement meeting will be from 7-9pm at the Village Community Center to better accommodate the schedules of commuters and families.

Decisions/Motions/Votes: The geographic scope, list of critical issues, vision and goals, and storm damage areas were approved by the committee, and will be included in the Suffern NYRCR Plan.