

PLANNING BOARD REPORT – MARCH 2008
TOWN OF SMITHVILLE

The Planning Board met in February and in March. New Planning Board member Jackie Centerwall participated in the February meeting along with Milly Auwarter, Doug Garnar and Tim Hanna. The main focus of activity is creating a Comprehensive Plan for the Town. During the Feb meeting tasks were divided up for starting to write various sections of the plan. This was based on the tables of contents of several completed plans from other towns.

A Web page was established as a repository for work in progress for the committee to use during this process.

www.SmithvilleNY.com/cp

It shows the base document, which is the Greene plan, and current assignments plus our work in progress documents.

The March meeting had Milly Auwarter, Larry Sherwood, and Bev Giles in attendance. We reviewed the work that Milly did and tried to arrive at next steps in gathering missing information. Millie's work-in-progress document is available on the comprehensive plan Web page.

Larry Sherwood stated that he will be stepping down from the Planning Board effective after the March meeting. He did say that he will help us on specific requests for information gathering, etc. Would Alison please advertise the position again?

The next meeting is will be Wednesday, April 9. Unless are applications or other requests for the Planning Board, the focus will remain on creating a draft of a Comprehensive Plan. Keep in mind that there already was a request for public involvement in this process. I received no response from the article in the paper. We are proceeding with writing the draft in an open forum and also opening it up further with more requests for public involvement, focus groups, public hearings, etc. in the future to evaluate and rewrite the draft copy.

Respectfully submitted.

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Planning Board Chairman