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Acton 2020 Committee Minutes
Date: February 9, 2011, 7:00 pm
Location: Town Hall, Room 204

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Attending: Roland Bartl, Kristin Alexander, Margaret Woolley Busse, Celia Kent, Sahana Purohit (minutes taker), Jim Snyder-Grant, Daphne Politis and Jim Purdy (Planners Collaborative), Clint Seward (Finance Committee)
Guests: Derrick Chin – Planning Board, David Barrat- HDC, Pam Harting- Barrat - BOS, David Clough

- I. Minutes approved for 2/2/2011
- II. Revised Goals and Objectives-
 - a) Margaret entertained motion for approval to accept the revised 'Goals & Objectives', seconded by Celia. The committee passed the motion to approve.
 - b) Jim Snyder-Grant discussed on how to present the new Goals and Objectives on facebook and website. He proposed keeping the goal tab and adding the new goals which would say these were developed from feedback and the October 20th workshop.
Once posted on website it was decided to send out the new goals to the phase 1 committee members. It was also decided to reference it on blog and fb.
Margaret will highlight it on her next email out for blog posts.
It was noted that the goals and objectives can always be 'tweaked' if there is sustainable changes.
111. Inventory Chapters-
 - a) The Transportation chapter has been redone based on Roland's comments.
 - b) Sustainability – Jim P has incorporated the comments but has to still send the final draft.
 - c) It was decided that the committee after reviewing the chapters, would send comments out to Jim Purdy by February 21st. When the committee sends out the comments, to copy Margaret, Kristin and Roland.
 - d) The next meeting, the committee can decide on posting the inventory.
 - e) Celia had a question on whether other committees should review the related inventory chapters and give their feedback. The concern this question posed was other committees should not interpret this as 'the plan' as this is just the inventory. Roland suggested making the inventory available to the committees and people who are interested soon.
Planners Collaborative will make sure they will reach out to the other committees for a quick review of the inventory.
 - f) It was noted that chapter 7 has 2 versions. One with a mark up and the other with the changes from the first draft.
- 1V. Blog- Reviewed blog comments and Jim noted that there were more than 100 comments on the blog. Celia had ideas for the next blog postings –
 - I. Why did you move to Acton and what did you value after having moved to Acton
 - II. Do you know your neighbors
 - III. Are there any physical qualities or characteristics that you like? (Maybe have a link to FB for some pictures?)Margaret will write a blog posting on 'housing'.
- v. Update on committee membership- Margaret talked to Lauren about the memberships. Lauren suggested adding 2 more members and she knew couple of them who may be interested. Bill, to be a full member. It was decided Jim S would put out a request on facebook, blog, Beacon and the Patch for new members. Clint had couple of people who might be interested and know the process. Margaret asked Clint to let them know that they need to submit a resume with a brief explanation to Kim in the Planning.
- V1. Update on meeting with other committees or volunteer advisors-
Jim gave a brief update on his meeting with Green Acton. Celia, mentioned that the HC was meeting tonight and will get back on the questions she has submitted to them
Kristin to follow up with the Economic Development.

Sahana noted that she has not gotten a response from the school committee. Clint offered to follow up with them.

Sahana to follow up with HDC.

Jim pointed out that Bill already met with the side walk committee and he might have an update from them.

V11. Burning Issues – March public meetings-

- a) Daphne, walked the committee through the proposed meeting format

Refer to handout

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- b) Publicity- It was decided the committee would identify individuals who are advisors/experts and invite them to the March Burning issues meetings.

The experts would be sent the questions/ resources beforehand.

'What do we as committee need to know what is missing- education deficit'

Daphne would like the committee to give feedback on the questions that will be drafted out before the weekend.

- c) Names of invitees-

Economic development - Thursday, March 3rd, 2011

1. Finance Committee - Clint
2. Economic Development Committee - Margaret
3. John Murray - Kristin or Roland
4. Member of East Acton Village Planning Committee - possibly Steve Steinberg - Kristin or Roland
5. Chamber of Commerce - possibly Sarah Fletcher - Kristin
6. Herman Kabakoff - Clint

Traffic - Wednesday, March 9th, 2011

1. Sam Lawton - Jim Purdy
2. Sidewalk Committee - Celia
3. Franny Osman- Jim Snyder-Grant
4. Tom Michelman - Jim Snyder-Grant
5. Dean Cavaretta- Margaret
6. Peter Rutten (Dutchman) - Kristin or Daphne
7. Peter Berry- Kristin or Roland
8. Council on Aging - Kristin or Roland
9. Committee on Disabilities (Lisa Franklin) - Kristin or Roland

Housing - Saturday, March 12, 2011

1. Nancy Tavernier - Sahana
2. Kelly Cronin - Kristin or Roland
3. Bob Whittlesey (or Ken Sghia-Hughes) - Jim Snyder-Grant
4. Terra Friedrichs - Margaret
5. DRB (Architect) - Ann Sussman - Celia
6. Doug Halley - Kristin or Roland
7. Matt Mostoller - Kristin or Roland
8. Housing developer from another town - Daphne Politis

The committee to reach out to these people in the next day or so inviting them to the burning issues meetings.

Publicity to the list from the October 20th workshop. It was decided not to send flyers in the back packs nor emails out to the PTO's but to reach out to neighborhood's email lists and groups of people.

Rewrite the burning issues.

Sahana to send the list of invitees to the committee, PC and Planning.

Jim S to contact Beacon and the Patch

Next committee meeting on March 16th.

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