

**Town of Ancram  
Comprehensive Plan Committee Meeting  
July 21, 2008**

**Present:** Art Bassin, Barry Chase, Don MacLean; **Absent:** Jim Bryant, Bonnie Hundt, Kyle Lougheed, Leah Wilcox

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The Comp Plan Committee meeting was called to order by Chair Art Bassin at 7 PM.

Only Mr. Bassin and Mr. Chase were present from the Committee. Mr. MacLean joined the meeting at 7:20. Mr. Lutz, Ms. Mckee and Mr. and Mrs. Clark were also in attendance.

**1. Town Board Meeting:** The group discussed the 7/17 Town Board meeting. Mr. Chase reported he was not able to make the Comp Plan Committee report to the Town Board because the Town Board meeting ended before the Comp Plan report was called for. Mr. Chase also noted that Mr. Citrin's presentation on the Mathews site for the highway garage had been well done and well received by the Town Meeting attendees.

Ms. Mckee commented that Mrs. Van Tassel had objected during the Town Meeting to the possible use of the Blass Memorial Park as a site for storing salt for the Town Garage. She noted the Blass Memorial Park honored a veteran killed in WWII, was an important recreational resource of the Town, was the only "green" space in the center of Ancram and was part of the "rural character" of the Town. Ms. Mckee indicated many people in town felt that using the Blass Memorial park for a salt shed for the town Garage or for Mill expansion would be more disruptive than the Roche Lane site, and would negatively impact many more people.

**2. Review of Strategies:** Because the Committee did not have a quorum, it was decided to postpone the discussion of strategies until next week.

**3. Community Development Block Grant Project:** Mr. Bassin reported there were now eight people on the CDBG Project Team—Donna Hoyt, Trish MacArthur, Suzanne Bressler, Libby McKee, Kit White, Mary Watkins, Lucy Eldridge and Will Lutz. Mr. Bassin indicated he had circulated the "final draft" of the CDBG project plan and budget to the Town Board, the Comp Plan Committee and the CDGB Project Team, and planned discuss these documents with the Comp Plan Committee at the 7/28 meeting and with the CDBG Project Team on Wednesday 7/30 (at 7 PM in the Town Hall conference room).

**4. Next Meetings:** July 21; July 28; 8/4 (with Nan Stolzenburg); 8/11; 8/18; 8/25. DOT and DEC have still not been scheduled.

The meeting adjourned at 7.40.