

**Town of Ancram
Comprehensive Plan Committee Meeting
January 19, 2009**

Comp Plan Members Present: Art Bassin, Barry Chase, Suzanne Bressler, Hugh Clark, Bonnie Hundt, Jim Miller, Kyle Lougheed, Leah Wilcox

Absent: Don MacLean

Others Present: Sheila Clark, B Doctor

The Comp Plan meeting was called to order by Chair Art Bassin at 7 PM. The minutes of the 1/12 meeting were approved as written.

1. February Strategy Workshops – The Committee reviewed and finalized the format and content of the planned Strategy Workshops, which will be held from 7 to 9.30 PM on Mondays, February 2 and 9, and from 9.30 AM to 12 noon on Saturdays, February 7 and 14. The Committee also reviewed the planned mailing, which will go out on January 20 or 21 inviting the Community to these Strategy Workshops. The Mailing will consist of an invitation to the Strategy Workshops, the Ancram 2030 Vision, a one page summary of the “Top Ten Things” to know about the Comp Plan and a 6-page Summary of Goals & Strategies. Additional documents for the Strategy Workshops will be available on hard copy at the Town Hall and by email or on the Town web site, including a 16-page Detailed Strategies Document, a Frequently Asked Questions Document and a Glossary of terms and definitions. Mr. Lougheed suggested and the Committee agreed, to develop charts and maps which would allow an easy explanation of average density and the open space development design process compared to the existing minimum lot size zoning system.

2. Comp Plan Strategy Feedback – The Committee reviewed and finalized responses to the preliminary feedback on the Draft Detailed Strategies from Town Board members and other Town officials. The Committee decided to make all suggested edits for purposes of clarification, but to wait on making any substantial revisions to the strategy documents until additional feedback had been received during the Community Workshops scheduled for February. Mr. Bassin will communicate the Committee’s detailed responses to the Town Board.

3. Glossary of Terms -- The Committee reviewed and finalized the Glossary of Terms.

4. Top 6 Zoning Improvements – The Committee reviewed the Top 6 Zoning Improvements document and decided to use it as a handout at the Workshops.

5. Next Meetings: The next Comp Plan Committee meeting will be January 26.

The meeting adjourned at 9 PM.