

Executive Steering Committee Meeting #6

MINUTES

APRIL 27, 2015

9:00-11:30 AM

VANDERBILT HOUSE

MEETING CALLED BY	Rob Holzman
ATTENDEES	See attached list

Agenda topics

DISCUSSION	Housekeeping & Updates
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rob Holzman opened the meeting• Rob reviewed the schedule and asked for two changes on upcoming meeting dates:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ May 11: change to May 12 to accommodate Lisa DeLeeuw's schedule. Lisa will attend the meeting and give an overview of the Harlem Valley Rail Trail and its current status through Philmont.○ June 1: change to June 8 to accommodate ETGs schedule.○ All Ex. Committee members in attendance agreed to the proposed meeting date changes• Sally Baker asked that the Ex. Steering Committee continue to reflect on the original work plan for guidance as the plan is being developed. (see attached)• Sally introduced a concept involving the integration of seniors and college students living at nursing homes.• Jean Giblette announced that the High Falls Foundation received a \$40,000 grant to form a group of 30 farmers to grow Chinese medicinal herbs. This is a significant win for the High Falls Foundation. This effort further supports the preliminary economic findings to build a market around alternative health.	

DISCUSSION	Revise Draft Goals: Historic & Cultural Resources and Nature & Recreation
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Based on the April 13th Committee meeting, Rob Holzman developed draft goals for the Historic & Cultural Resources and Nature & Recreation topic areas. Through group discussion the following goals were agreed to:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Historic & Cultural Resources (in order of priority)<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Celebrate and preserve the Waterfront District's unique role in the founding of Philmont as an innovative and dynamic mill village.2. Preserve, express and enhance the historic spaces and places of the Waterfront District.3. Strengthen existing cultural resources as drivers of social and economic collaboration.○ Nature & Recreation (in order of priority)<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Enhance opportunity's to connect the Waterfront District with surrounding natural resources and neighboring communities.2. Manage the waterfront and natural areas to stimulate sustainable economic development and enhance healthy living.3. Prepare for extreme weather events by increasing the resilience of Philmont's waterfront and landscapes.	

DISCUSSION	Goals Development Exercise: Housing & Neighborhood Development and Business & Economic Development
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rob Holzman introduced a group exercise to develop goals for the two remaining topic areas:<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Housing & Neighborhood Development2. Business & Economic Development• The following goals were developed by the Committee, followed by each member choosing their preferred goals for further revisions:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Housing & Neighborhood Development<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Change zoning laws to meet basic housing maintenance requirements or give incentives to residents to keep up their properties.• Allow people who own property to vote in the village.	

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- Enhance safety and mobility that fosters a healthy community.
 - Ensure all housing within the Waterfront District is safe and meets basic housing maintenance requirements.
 - Promote green building and rehabilitation standards
 - Connect people together to preserve existing neighborhoods
- Business & Economic Development
 - Slow Main Street traffic by use of different traffic patterns
 - More Main Street parking
 - Grocery store
 - Identify strategies to encourage creative collaboration, mentorship and entrepreneurship
 - Stimulate history- and recreation-based tourism around the Summit Reservoir and Waterfront District
 - Make Philmont into a destination on the HVRT; leverage this into opportunities for new businesses
 - Foster an environment of economic, cultural social and environmental vitality
 - Promote economic development that will restore economic vitality while respecting the areas with natural and historic resources.
 - Grow local production systems
- Based on Committee discussion, the following goals were determined as the "Preferred" for revisions for each topic area:
 - Housing & Neighborhood Development
 - Support efforts to conserve and improve the Village's housing stock
 - Create a Waterfront District that will enhance the existing objectives of the Mill District
 - Business & Economic Development
 - Recognize, promote and support local production systems
 - Explore ways to leverage Philmont's water resources for sustainable economic development
 - Promote development that restores economic vitality while conserving natural and historic resources
 - Identify strategies to encourage creative partnerships and collaborations to support a dynamic economy with entrepreneurial spirit
 - Promote economic development that will restore social vitality while enhancing and celebrating the area's natural and historic resources
 - Connect to the region's farming community as a means for economic development and healthy living

DISCUSSION

Wrap Up

- Next meeting: 9:00 AM May 12, 2015 Library (tentative – to be confirmed by Sally Baker)
 - Presentation by Lisa DeLeeuw regarding the Harlem Valley Rail Trail
 - Agenda will involve completion of goal statements (refine "Housing & Neighborhood Development" and "Business & Economic Development")
 - Concept Plan development

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Name	Signature
Res Holzman	<i>Robert A. Hoy</i>
Christopher Reed	<i>Christopher Reed</i>
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LISA NABLO	<i>Lisa Nablo</i>
Christine Vanderlan	<i>Christine Vanderlan</i>
Sally Baker	<i>Sally Baker</i>
Jean Giblette	<i>Jean Giblette</i>

Collaboration

Enthusiasm

The process welcomes and encourages enthusiasm and collaboration as the foundation for success.

ATTACHMENT C - WORK PLAN

Contractor: Village of Philmont
Contract Number: C1000193

Village of Philmont – Step 2

1. Project Description

The Village of Philmont will complete a Nomination Strategy for an area with two potential brownfield sites that are located within the Summit Reservoir Revitalization Area. The area includes the Summit Reservoir, a 21 acre, publicly owned body of water, a critical public amenity, and as such a center catalyst for the area as a natural resource. The primary community revitalization objectives to be achieved by this project include: creating a community based informed revitalization blue-print for the area to include a thorough and in-depth analysis of existing conditions in the area, an economic trends analysis, a plan for the reuse potential for properties located in the area with an emphasis on the identification and reuse potential of strategic brownfield sites as catalysts for revitalization. Anticipated community benefits resulting from this project include the reversal of the cycle of disinvestment and decay currently experienced in the area by creating a plan for a livable neighborhood which will assist with the attraction of future investments aimed at new uses such as housing stock restoration, retail, commercial and public amenities such as the restoration of Summit Reservoir and lake-side parks to improve the quality of life and economic development for the community.

The Revitalization Plan will provide an in-depth and thorough description and analysis of existing conditions, opportunities, and reuse potential for properties located in the proposed BOA with an emphasis on the identification and reuse potential of strategic sites that are catalysts for revitalization. Key project objectives include:

- Identifying and providing a clear description and justification of a manageable study area and associated boundaries.
- Establishing a community participation process, including a clear description of a community vision and associated goals and objectives for the study area, and techniques to enlist partners.
- Completing a comprehensive land use assessment and analysis of existing conditions in the study area, including an economic and market trends analysis, to determine the range of realistic future uses and types of redevelopment projects to revitalize the study area.
- Identifying strategic sites that represent key redevelopment opportunities and fully examining their redevelopment potential.
- Based on the analysis, a description of key findings and recommendations for future uses and other actions for redevelopment and community revitalization.
- Providing a series of key recommendations to serve as the basis for the Implementation Strategy scope of work.