

**Comprehensive Plan Committee
Meeting Minutes
January 7, 2004**

The Comprehensive Plan Committee of New Lebanon conducted special meeting at the Town Hall on January 7, 2004. The meeting commenced at 7:00 P.M. The members in attendance were: M. Arthur, T. Benson, J.Dax, L. Poulton, P. Rawson, K. Ross, J.Yurish.

The focus of this meeting was on:

- Loose Ends Related to the Initial Draft
- Refinement of Strategies & Action
- Next Steps in the Comprehensive Plan Process

Loose Ends

K. Ross led the group in a discussion of loose ends, which are important to the completion of the initial draft plan. She covered issues in the appendix and glossary, as well as modification of the Vision statement to achieve a smoother read. A few assignments were made related to agriculture, cluster housing, and SEQRA.

Strategy Refinement

Regarding the refinement of the strategies, K. Ross suggested that, under the Recommendations section, all strategies should demonstrate a more direct tie-back to the workshops and survey results. After some discussion, all agreed and assignments for reviewing the various strategies and achieving the tie-back were made. It was agreed that those accountable will get the necessary information to L. Poulton & J. Dax by January 9, 2004 so that the Edit Committee has time to meet the initial draft deadline of January 13, 2004.

Other

J. Yurish brought up the subject of his health (impending back surgery) and the necessity for another person on the Committee assume the leadership of the process in order to keep the effort focused and timely. It was suggested that a member of the Edit Committee take up that role. P. Rawson proposed that L. Poulton assume that role since she is a member of the Planning Board and has fulfilled that role whenever J. Yurish has been absent from meetings. All agreed, and L. Poulton accepted. All pledged their support.

Next Steps

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 13, 2004. At that time the group will review the initial draft of the plan and determine the group's readiness to meet with members of the Town Board on January 22nd.

Respectfully submitted,

J.L.Yurish

