

Comprehensive Plan Committee Town Board Update - 6/19/08

1. Major Activities – The Comp Plan Committee has met weekly over the past month to finalize the Profile and Inventory Document and develop the strategies and action plans necessary to implement the 2030 Vision and Goals. In addition, we have been working Nan Stolzenburg and Ben Syden (of Laberge) to develop a project plan for the CDBG grant the Town was awarded in April. As part of the CDBG grant effort we are looking for volunteers from each of the hamlets to serve on an advisory team to help with the hamlet revitalization, economic development and affordable housing activities supported by the CDBG grant.

2. Public Meeting – We held a “second chance” public meeting at Town Hall on Monday June 16. The meeting reviewed Comp Plan progress over the past year, the results of the workshops, survey, water study, profile document, maps and build out analysis. The purpose of the meeting was to make sure the draft 2030 Vision and Goals were “on the right track”. About 10 residents attended.

3. Community Meetings – During the last month the Committee met with the Planning Board and the ZBA. Meetings are scheduled with the Town Building Department (6/23), the Assessor (6/30) and the Rhoda Lake Association (7/5). We are still trying to schedule the Long Lake Association, the Friends of Long Lake, DEC and DOT. Meetings have also been held with the gravel mining industry, the Fire Company, the Highway Superintendent, the Ancram Preservation Group and Neighbors Helping Neighbors.

4. Grant Applications –We expect the \$25,000 Farmland Protection Grant to be funded by the end of July.

5. Budget – Through the end of May had spent approximately \$42,000 of the \$60,000 Comprehensive Planning budget.