

**VILLAGE OF COLD SPRING PLANNING BOARD
85 MAIN STRET, COLD SPRING, NEW YORK 10516**

*Workshop meeting
Review Comprehensive Plan*

November 17, 2010

Present: Chairman: Joseph Barbaro; **Members:** Joseph Immorlica, Placito Sgro & Arne Saari

Member absent: Karen Doyle

John Kincov - member of the public

1. Workshop to review Comprehensive Board

J. Barbaro noted that by November 30, 2010 all suggestions by the Planning Board will be recommended by the Planning Board in letter form to the Comprehensive Board.

A. Saari and **P. Sgro** noted that in their opinions there was not enough time was given to review the whole plan. **P. Sgro** also noted it seemed like the Comprehensive Plan was promoting rapid growth in the community.

A. Saari noted He noted there was a lot of redundancy in the plan.

J. Immorlica it is only a draft only probability of what may happen. Guidelines will have to be established. Time should have been spent on the existing codes to make them clearer.

The Board members discussed whether or not they should respond to the Comprehensive Board by section or by reviewing the whole plan and picking out certain items to comment on. The Board decided as a whole they would respond to each section.

The planning Board will include the following issues in their letter to the Comprehensive Board:

- The Planning Board expressed concern that the plan is overly ambitious and can lead to increase in property taxes in today's economy.
- The Comprehensive Board should be prioritized the goals stated in the comprehensive plan and have objectives for each goal.
- The Planning Board believes that existing applications before the Planning Board should be exempt from the Comprehensive Plan and any new laws developed because of it.
- To preserve the village Character of Main St. the Village Office should remain on Main St.
- There should be more crossing points on route 9D. Whatever the speed limit being applied to Chestnut St. is, that same speed limit should be applied to Morris Ave. as well because of school and library activities.
- The Planning Board will be happy to provide detailed comments on the seven goals if sufficient time is allowed for each goal.
- School taxes should be separated from other taxes. The Village should control property tax.
- Each village in the county should get their fair share of the sales tax.

- The Planning Board feels that additional taxes will not treat residents fairly.

The Board discussed and reviewed K. Doyle's recommended changes to the Draft Comprehensive Plan dated 11/17/10. The Board members decided to have K. Doyle submit her comments as an individual or a Comprehensive Board member. Since her comments were very specific.

A. Saari needs to take into consideration the projects already in progress.

J. Barbaro will write a letter to the comp. Board and give it to them by the end of the month.

A. Saari Moved to adjourn the meeting **J Immorlica** seconded the meeting was adjourned at 9:44 Pm

Joseph Barbaro, Planning Board Chairman

Date