

Village of Cold Spring Code Update Committee
85 Main Street, Cold Spring, NY 10516
June 6, 2018

Meeting

The Village of Cold Spring Code Update Committee held a meeting on June 6, 2018 at 7pm at the Village office at 85 Main St. Attending were board members: Bonny Carmicino, Anne Impellizzeri, Paul Henderson; and Trustee Marie Early. Karen Doyle and Norah Hart were absent.

CALL TO ORDER

- M. Early called the meeting to order at 7pm and requested members' time sheets. She noted that the monthly conference call with NYSERDA was scheduled for June 14 at 3:45pm. She also noted that the schedule agreed to by NYSERDA calls for a public meeting to be held on the Phase 3 topics by June 30, 2018.

GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS

A. Impellizzeri presented her findings. During the discussion it was noted that:

- LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification is a voluntary rating system that could be included in the updated Village Code for public buildings.
- The NYS Energy Conservation Construction Code (NYSECCC) could be referenced (rather than LEED certification) and that this would be less onerous.
- Hastings updated their code in 2013.
- Rhinebeck code refers to the NYSECCC.
- Should there be a stand-alone section about green building standards or only a reference to the NYSECCC? A. Impellizzeri recommends the later approach.
- Stricter code requirements might increase building costs and, over time, skew the Village's population toward wealthier residents
- The CUC has received comments from its consultant, Ted Fink. Members were asked to review his document.
- A. Impellizzeri will document her comments and circulate to members.

OUTDOOR LIGHTING STANDARDS

During the discussion it was noted that:

- CH Energy's streetlights use a mix of different kinds and wattages of LED lamps. The majority of street lights are still HPS and MV.
- CUC members to review draft standard for comment by 6-13-18. Members should also provide their opinions on updating the Village Code to determine if these should be included.

EVALUATE STEEP SLOPE STANDARDS

B. Carmicino will provide an updated document by June 10. During the discussion it was noted that:

- A Steep Slope Standard may not be necessary (given that there are few such areas in the village)
- There is concern about tree removal in a steep slope area that may contribute to erosion
- Application for a building permit for properties with a 25% or greater slope would trigger an erosion control program
- Are there other options for situations that may not require a building permit?
- Any standard must be enforceable
- It was agreed that a steep slope would be defined as any area with a 20% slope or greater (that is, one foot vertical rise divided by five foot horizontal run). P. Henderson will provide his comments to B. Carmicino by June 7.

EVALUATE ADOPTING A RIDGELINE PROTECTION OVERLAY DISTRICT

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CHAPETE 104 (SIGNS)

CUC has received comments from the Village Attorney. The updated document will be circulated to members.

OTHER BUSINESS

There will be no CUC meeting on 7-4-18.

Comments on the May 16, 2018 minutes were received.

An additional CUC meeting will be held on 6-13-18 at 7pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

Anne Impellizzeri made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Paul Henderson seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 8:11pm.

Submitted by:
Michael Mell

Marie Early

Date