

May 22, 2010 Notes on Butterfield "Commons" and Fire House/Community Center

Butterfield "Commons" = 20 red dots

Fire House/Community Center = 2 red dots

From Mark Villanti – Continue to work cooperatively school & municipal gov't for cost efficiencies. Investigate the feasibility of creating a walking/practice track. Thanks for a great set up today!

Consolidation of services, firehouse, schools would benefit the Village tremendously in streamlining government & possible savings in property taxes

Relocate all Village services, Firehouse, Senior Center and Community Center for Cold Spring and Nelsonville

COMMENTS! Create a village-wide signage plan to ensure clarity, and consistent look/theme. At Butterfield ensure there are some private sector tenants – not just gov't agencies

J. Nash, 7 Locust Ridge – 845-265-7952 – **NO** to location of Fire House Community Center! Proposed in PLAN. This open space along Route 9D at the entrance to the Village should be preserved. The large paved areas that greet the eyes in front of large doors to a fire station Diminish the Value of the whole VILLAGE as a place to live in or visit -- Put these facilities some other place if they must be constructed -- PLEASE. PS This PROPOSAL is Contrary to GOAL 4 of VISIONS & GOALS. A Suggestion: There is open space along the River Front – where – a Community Center that would serve the Mayors Park and a Fire Station that would connect with the Dept of Sanitation Facilities would be more appropriate

! – Placement of firehouse re-location is critical. Whichever is more accommodating of the firehouse needs; sometimes it's better (greener, custom-fit) to build new. Anything that allows more activities & stimulation for teenagers! Please turn old firehouse into a mixed public-private business building for businesses that aren't easy to be self-supporting (2<sup>nd</sup> hand books etc.); we need more space to hang out!

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Would love to see Loretto Rest as a B&B!

Cold Spring could use B&B's – particularly reasonably priced B&B's to encourage younger people – hikers, etc.

Hostel/Affordable accommodations @ Butterfield Hospital buildings – reuse.

Ditto above comment

Centralizing government offices, police, fire, ambulette services in this area is wise as the offices could be readily heated and adequate space appears to be available for such use.

Butterfield house as B&B use; perhaps, in part used as hostel service.

Rebuild firehouse on existing Main St location – small quick-response unit, share resources with neighboring Fire Co's

Work with Nelsonville to encourage consolidated public offices & services in this location if it will bring cost savings to each community

Ditto above comment

Any new firehouse development should be based on true need of the community & town, not on the desire of any small group. We should exhaust all other options (status quo, shared services, etc.) before taking on this expense.

I like consolidating public offices (getting them off Main St & letting those building be used for shops). I like having a community center (adult classes – not just for seniors or kids. I'd like classes for adults).

Don't move fire station. It's wonderful having it on Main Street.

I would rename "Butterfield Commons" to "Butterfield Plaza". "Commons" reminds one of a retail center/shopping mall & sends the wrong message

J. Nash, 7 Locust Ridge, 845-265-7952 – Butterfield Commons – including 1) Loretto Residence, 2) Carolyn Lahey, 3) Butterfield Hospital – This property should be under the control of Philipstown, the Village of Cold Spring and Nelsonville – Not Putnam County. Possible uses are – 1) Loretto Residence – an annex of the Putnam County Historical Society with historical materials from the end of the West Point Foundry to the present to the possible future of the area – A Not Taxable-Public Use Facility; 2) Carolyn Lahey Pavilion – This facility is essential to preserving the health of the area – KEEP as is; 3) Butterfield Hospital – Should be studied by Real Estate Specialists to determine most appropriate tenant – that would allow it to provide an increase in taxes without significant increase in services – Possible uses – Computer Services Companies – an incubator for small organizations to be in one place – to support each other then move on as they grow.