

May 22, 2010 Notes on Quality of Life

Objective: Establish a smart growth planning program in the village = one red dot

- 1) Ensure water supply = 5 red dots
- 2) Promote energy efficient.... = 1 red dot

Write ins:

Shuttle service to hiking trails (a Post It)

Restrooms at tots park = one red dot and 1 Post It sticker

Speed bumps on Church Street at both ends = 2 red dots

Conduct a design contest

1 Post It =Yes

1 Post It = Enforce leash law & "poop scoop" = 2 red dots

Mark where bike rack..... Post It = Put bicycle racks to encourage bicycle..

Not motorcycles

Lighting sign – Post It – “Yes, direct lamplight down”

Possibility – Improve sidewalks

Cross walk safety = 4 red dots

Additional lighting on Main Street = a Post It and 1 red dot

Improve sidewalks = 1 red dot and 1 green dot

Install curb ramps = 2 red dots

Environment

Develop a watershed protection plan = 6 red dots

Objective: Protect the natural environment – 13 red dots

Write in – Remove invasive; plant native

Bury electrical line

Post It: Protect viewshed

Develop a plan to reduce storm water runoff = 3 red dots

Write ins: Reclaim village garage site for recreation & improve viewshed = 4 red dots

Establish a waterfront conservation buffer zone = 5 red dots

Adopt changes to the Village Building Code to encourage energy efficient design = 2 red dots

Promote use of renewable energy sources = 4 red dots

Write Ins

Write in = Develop a plan to replace missing sidewalks and upgrade asphalt = 1 red dot

Work with NYS to extend sidewalk on 9D from Village to Little Stony Point = 5 red dots

Someone created a picture of a “Walkway over Railroad” showing the subway and indicating an overhead walkway over the subway.

Start a shuttle service for hikers to Little Stony Point/Bull Hill/Nelsonville trails/Breakneck/Sugar Loaf (possible source or revenue)

Crosswalks – enforce crosswalk law (stop for pedestrian); put in more crosswalks on Min St. @ Pizza Place and at the bottom of Main St.; audit of all crosswalks in village & where crosswalks should be. Then develop plan.

Promote conservation ???????? (can’t read the word) that make a “Green Cold Spring” composting, gardening, tree planting, solar energy, alt. fuels

Hiker shuttle a great idea. Hikers don’t need parking & spend money in businesses (besides the unsafe road-walking conditions)

Sidewalks on all sides of tiny tot park

Speed bumps for Church Street (both ends) – a write in comment with 2 red dots

Motorcycle noise – quality of life for village – please address and help!!! Thank you!

Promote voter turn out!!

Implement speed control w/speed bumps (write in) = 2 red dots

Children & families throughout the village need to see meaningful action taken on this point = 2 red dots

We need a swimming pool

A community center that offers classes & activities for adults. Adults w/o children are ignored in Cold Spring & need a place to meet, take classes, etc.

Sidewalks on all side of tiny tot park

Steps up from Northern @ High St. to lower baseball field. (currently an erosion run off path)

The “natural” environment in the village is mostly invasive plants. Remove & replace to restore native ecosystem.

NYC has unique noise law for motorcycles. If it can be heard from a certain distance – it’s illegal. We need this 3 seasons. This avoids the problem of technological ???? (I can’t read the word) meters. Talk about a source of revenue. = 2 red dots

(Pointing to above comment) Keep in mind many fair weather patrons of Cold Spring businesses enjoy their bikes. This is something bike owners are sensitive about. A noise ordinance that dissuades a biker from coming to C.S. will hurt businesses.

Erosion plan important. Enlist us to help you, inform us! Forsythia, for instance, prevents erosion.

Waterfront protection is a must.

Butterfield “Commons” = 20 red dots

Fire House/Community Center = 2 red dots

Anything in *italics* are my comments

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 (2nd hand books etc.); we need more space to hang out!

(I could not read the next word) xxxxxxx – to maintain integrity of C.S. Village

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 (*this might be a reference to the Grove*) 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.