
Town of Esopus Local Waterfront Revitalization Program Update
Waterfront Advisory Committee (WAC) Meeting #5
June 23, 2021
7 pm to 9 pm via Video Conference
Summary Meeting Notes – FINAL

Participants:

Waterfront Advisory Committee: Members: Margaret Phelan, Co-Chair; Eli Schloss, Carol Carson Tomassetti, Dale Wolfield, Marion Zimmer, Vincent Coq, Chet Allen, Kathie Quick, Town Board Liaison; Diane Dintruff, Cynthia McVay, Environmental Board Liaison; and Alex Dean, Community Outreach Coordinator.

Laberge Group: Matthew Rogers, Senior Planner.

Meeting Discussions:

1. Margaret called the meeting to order.
2. Greenway Grant Application: Matthew provided an update on the Greenway Grant Application for kiosks and interpretive panels. The Town decided not to submit the application due to budgeting concerns. The Application is complete and hopefully the Town will submit in the fall.
3. Past Project Implementation: Carol asked for an update on the trail improvement plans at Sleightsburgh Park. Matthew explained that he is not responsible for implementing this project and that the Greenway Grant was focused on kiosks and interpretive panels. Based on this discussion, Matthew highlighted the need for the Town to establish a more coordinated approach to implementing past plan recommendations. There was agreement that this process was needed and Alex Dean will reach out to Matthew to begin discussions with Supervisor Geuss.
4. Priority Project Ranking and Site Visits: Matthew provided an overview of priority projects and need for site visits based on the Committee feedback provided through Google Docs. Matthew prepared an update to the [Priority Projects dated May 24, 2021](#) based on Committee feedback.
 - a. Feeney/Quarry – Agreed to conduct site visit. Seeking permission to access property.
 - b. Smith Property – Permission to access property is being requested.
 - c. Sturgeon Pool – Concern about safety along Rt. 213. Will evaluate during site visits.
 - d. Discussed past study regarding the removal of Eddyville Dam. ACOE/DEC evaluated the potential for its removal. The property owner is not in favor of removing it.

- i. Committee agreed to evaluate this in the LWRP and provide policy/recommendations related to it.
 - e. Perrine's Bridge Park – Will conduct site visit.
 - f. Connelly – Will conduct site visit.
- 5. Project Schedule: Matthew provided an overview of the current project schedule. DOS is reviewing the Public Outreach Plan and WRA Map/Boundary. Matthew will seek an update from DOS on their review.
- 6. Design Guidelines: Matthew provided an update on the next steps for the Design Guidelines.
 - a. Google Docs will be used to allow for [Committee collaboration](#) to first confirm why the DG are needed, the objectives, & vision for Rt. 213 and 9W corridor.
 - b. Lisa offered to provide the Town of Marbletown's design guidelines.
- 7. Rt. 9W Bridge: Matthew, with the assistance of Alex provided an update on the status of cleaning the 9W Bridge.

Meeting Notes Submitted by Laberge Group August 26, 2021