

RFP Sub-Committee Minutes
5-22-17

Members Present:

Dan Krawczyk
Tim Toomey
Bill Morse
Pasqualina Testa
Tracey Baum-Wicks

Derek Biachi
Khris Dobson
Chris Maroney
Andrew Obernesser
Josephine Thomas

-Meeting began at 7:04 pm

-Adoption of minutes

-Items Discussed:

1. Solvay has given unofficial notice that they will participate in the comprehensive plan.
 - Mr. Albrigo (Town Supervisor) sent a letter to the mayor of Solvay requesting for a representative to participate on the RFP sub-committee. His hope is for Solvay to continue a joint plan with the town. He has received positive verbal feedback from the village of Solvay.
 - Village board meeting is 5/23/17 @ 6:00 pm for anyone who would like to speak publically regarding this issue

2. RFP Committee agrees upon the following so far ...
 - Sharing services amongst Lakeland, Solvay and Westvale
 - Uniting Lakeland, Solvay and Westvale via walking/biking paths. Idea of a future monorail system was mentioned.

3. Bill Morse presented the committee with an outline for the RFP based on the consolidated questions and concerns submitted by each sub-committee member (see attached sheet)

4. Bill Morse will create an RFP rough draft for next meeting

5. Future RFP concerns...
 - Mapping
 - What existing info can the town generate vs. what do we need to pay a consultant for?
 - Is Solvay already contributing to the comprehensive plan via county/town taxes (Bill Morse will investigate)?
 - Public attitudes
 - Current infrastructure and general replacement schedule

6. Member concerns/comments...

- Andrew Obernesser – Look at town as a whole, not individual parts and be precise about issues
- Andrew Obernesser - Civic dialogue is imperative to educate the public on how gov't. works (ex – types of services)
- Khris Dodson – Future trends are important to consider
- Khris Dodson - Consultants need to be aware of the desired level of public engagement and level of Geddes' intent to produce data. Data should be analyzed by the consultant.
- Tracey Baum-Wicks – How will we deal with the aging population in regard to zoning? Pollution? Traffic?
- Derek Biachi – How do we bring young professionals to Solvay?
- Josephine Thomas – How can we purify questions used for public survey?
- Chris Maroney – We need to attract big business without offering tax breaks.

-Next Meeting: June 5, 2017 @ 7:00 pm

-Public Comment

- Ed Weber suggested for members to attend a Syracuse Metro Transportation Committee meeting
- Ed Weber suggested once the comprehensive plan is passed, grant funds can be requested from the county & state.
- Gerald Albrigo – The population in Onondaga County is decreasing. The town of Geddes does not offer business opportunities for young professionals.
- Robert Fanelli – Will the 2001 State Fair Blvd. corridor study be used in conjunction with the comprehensive plan?

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
GEDDES – SOLVAY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

OUTLINE

STATEMENT OF OBJECTIVES

EXISTING CONDITIONS INVENTORY

Land Use

Zoning

Demographics

Assessed value, exemptions, PILOT agreements

Existing Town Budget – where does money go

Traffic

Infrastructure condition

Existing Sidewalks

Historic Properties

PUBLIC ATTITUDES

Level of taxes vs level of services

Desires for sidewalks vs. costs and maintenance

Preservation vs. development

FUTURE TRENDS

Demographics

Transportation

Infrastructure

Climate

DEVELOPMENT & ZONING

Development Constraints

Development Objectives

Preservation Priorities (maybe Recreation)

Development Resources and Opportunities

Alternative Zoning
Proper Mix of Zoning Types

TAXATION AND SERVICES

Comparison with other municipalities
Cost reduction opportunities including shared services

TRANSPORTATION

Vehicular

Pedestrian & Bicycle

Adverse Impacts – Health and Safety

Opportunities for connectivity

AMENITIES

Sense of community character and connection

Recreation

Activity centers

Street Trees

Natural areas