

## **SPECIAL MEETING, WARRENSBURG TOWN BOARD, MAY 4, 2011**

A special meeting of the Warrensburg Town Board was held on Wednesday, May 4, 2011 at the Albert Emerson Town Hall at 4:03 p.m. with the following members present:

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Supervisor	Kevin Geraghty
	Councilman	John Alexander
	Councilman	Bryan Rounds
	Councilman	Dean Ackley
	Councilman	Austin Markey

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Kathy Rounds, Deputy Town Clerk; Alan Hall, Sr., numerous students from the Student Government Class, and Elan Representatives Lisa Nagle, Kate Mance, and Jaclyn Hakes.

### **DISCUSSION – COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

Lisa Nagle opened discussion telling the Town Board that the Comprehensive Plan was emailed to everyone last Friday. Ms. Nagle told the Town Board the Plan is complete for committee input and the next step is to get Town Board input.

There will be a public presentation, a formal presentation with a power point, on May 16<sup>th</sup> which is a Monday, at the Elementary School for public comment and consideration.

The second part of the plan, the Waterfront Plan and Waterfront Revitalization Strategy is to bring some Zoning updates to the Towns' Ordinance, and they would like to get this to the Town Board in June, and then ask the Town Board to adopt both the Comprehensive Plan and the Zoning update at one time, sometime in the fall.

Supervisor Geraghty voiced his opinion and concerns on the Comprehensive Plan.

Councilman Markey discussed possible new businesses coming into town and what design standards they can reasonably request they do with new buildings as they are built.

Discussion ensued on the Historical District, how it was adopted and what mistakes were done when it was adopted.

Jaclyn Hakes discussed what Conservation Advisory Council, CAC is, telling the Town Board the term had come out of a discussion with the fact that there are so many natural features, recreational features and organizations that exist now, there are a couple of ways this can work, a formal CAC, this would be a process that you would go through to establish it with the Town Board and they are advisory to the Planning Board when issues come up. Clifton Park has a CAC.

Discussion ensued on the Board looking at new regulations for the Landfill next month, whether the Town joins the County and tries to seek out a place to take our waste or privatizing the Landfill.

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Supervisor Geraghty said one of the biggest things from one of the studies was, people want consistent and efficient code enforcement, people don't mind code enforcement, they just want consistent enforcement, everyone to be treated the same.

Discussion ensued on their being recreation trails on Hackensack by this fall, there has been a meeting with the School regarding the trails.

Councilman Alexander discussed a possible parking area at the bottom of Hackensack, the end of the road, it could be done with the Town's in kind service.

Discussion ensued about the parking issue at the Farmers Market, the fact that there will be issues again this year and how the Town can address those issues, possibly alternative parking.

Supervisor Geraghty said he liked the draft Comprehensive Plan for the most part, one of his concerns is the leader is the Town Board, there are not enough hours in a day for him to lead every one of these projects. Supervisor Geraghty said that when you look at how much is put on the town board, this would make these guys full time, it is hard enough now to stay on top of all of the things they have to do and manage.

Councilman Alexander said there will have to be a ten year plan, put some of the projects out two years, some out to four years, it is a decade plan.

Councilman Markey suggested getting the Beautification involved in the landscaping aspects of it.

Supervisor Geraghty explained the need to stay involved or things will fall by the wayside, if the Government Board doesn't believe it and offer the support, his concern is that everything lays within the town board and he is worried about burning them out.

Discussion ensued on different ways to make changes to the proposed Comprehensive Plan to change the project leader to allow the Town Board to make a resolution and then go out to a committee or a Board.

Councilman Alexander said there is a lot in this document, it was a pleasure to work with everybody, it is a work in progress and always will be and to keep it in mind that it is a ten year plan.

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Lisa Nagle expressed appreciation at working here in Warrensburg, a community that has so much potential.

On motion of Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Ackley, the meeting was adjourned at 4:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna A. Combs, RMC/CMC  
Warrensburg Town Clerk