



January 14, 2019

Town Board Meeting

Comprehensive Plan Public Hearing Prior to Adoption by Town Board

Town Board Members present: Fred Stresing, Jeff Bliss, Robert Green, Jr., David Parsons, Lauren Bolonda, and Town Clerk Karen Maczynski and Attorney William Kenyon

Members present from the Comprehensive Plan Committee: Ron and Liz Smith, Cat Cohen, Joann Rogers, Nicole Cleary, Dave Parsons and Sandra Riker

Others Present: Patti Giordano, Marty Snyder, John Krebbeks, Nick Cohen, Fran Morgante, Tom Stevens

Supervisor Green addressed the members of the Comprehensive Plan Committee with a Thank You to all Committee Members who have worked many long and hard hours on this project for the Town of Bristol.

He provided the residents present an overview of the path taken to this public hearing this evening. The Update was first addressed at a joint meeting of the Town Board, Planning Board, and Zoning Board of Appeals on September 29, 2015. The final draft of the Plan was presented to the Town Board in November of 2018 for their review. The plan was reviewed by Ontario County Planning Board at their November meeting with the following comments: *It seems overly ambitious to complete a Farmland Protection Plan, natural resources inventory, community facility and road condition reports, capital improvement plan, Parks and Recreation Master Plan, hire consultants to complete a tourism enhancement plan and a housing needs assessment, pursue grants, and draft a new Recreation Mixed Use District as priority action items.* At the December Town Board meeting the Board reviewed the County Planning Board comments and made the following motion: The Town Board agreed with the County's recommendations and stated that this is a VISION PLAN FOR THE FUTURE. A motion was made by Lauren Bolonda and seconded by Jeff Bliss and carried to hold the Public Hearing on January 14, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

The public hearing was opened at 7:00 pm.

Public Comment: Fran Morgante of 7275 Evert Road thanked the Board for initiating the process to update the Comprehensive Plan and praised the Committee for a well written document recognizing a variety of concerns for the Town of Bristol. Upon reading the document she noticed a theme regarding economic development and promotion of small business throughout the various sections. She would like feedback how the Boards intend to implement these actions and how it will be regulated.

Bob Green, Supervisor said it will be a monumental task for the Planning Board and would hope there could be a subcommittee or two set up to assist them. However, that involves volunteers. Cat Cohen and Liz Smith both acknowledged how hard it is to get volunteers for this type of activity.

Fran asked how long would this process take? Bob Green replied it is the goal of the Town Board to make this as friendly as possible in laying the ground work to open the restrictive zoning ordinances that has been adopted in the past.

Dave Parsons said the Town Board recognizes small business, both home based and otherwise to generate much needed economic growth in Bristol.

Attorney, Bill Kenyon suggested the best way to handle individual sections of the zoning regulations rather than a total overhaul of the zoning codes. Once established by the Town Board and Planning Board which areas need to be addressed first and then the sub committees could work on massaging those areas.

Liz Smith asked if the sub committees would be empowered to make recommendations to the Town Board and Planning Board. Bob Green replied the process is similar to the establishment of the Comprehensive Update committee. It would be an AdHoc group appointed by the Town Board and the group would share their information with the Planning Board who make the recommendations for changes to the Town Board.

Attorney Kenyon provided a brief history of the **W.O.L.E.D.C.** (Western Ontario Local Economic Development Corporation) that was established after the last comprehensive plan was adopted. The Towns of West Bloomfield, Bristol combined to promote small business growth. It did okay for a while but it was dissolved in 2013 as it did not achieve its goals, again the problem of not enough players and the constraints of the lack of water and sewer.

There were no further comments from the public and comments from the Town Board were entertained. Lauren Bolonda said she recognized the incredible effort made by the committee to stick with the project and complete it. She is looking forward to seeing some of the vision come true.

Public Hearing was closed.

The regular Board meeting was then opened and a motion was made and approved to change the order of the agenda so the SEQRA and the vote for adoption of the Comprehensive Plan Update could be completed all at the same time.

A motion was made by Dave Parson with a second by Lauren Bolonda to name the Town Board of Bristol as the Lead Agency for purposes of carrying out the responsibilities of environmental review of said action under the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act.

Nicole Cleary of Barton and Loguidice, D.P.C. took the Board through the SEQRA process part 1 and under G. Verification- ***a motion was made by Councilman Jeff Bliss with a second by Councilman Fred Stresing stating that Supervisor Green should sign the statement that to the best of his knowledge the answers to part one are true.***

Part 2-Identification of Potential Project Impacts was reviewed and none were found so a Negative Declaration was declared.

Part 3-Evaluation of the Magnitude and Importance of Project Impacts and Determination of Significance:
Upon review of the information recorded on this EAF, as noted, there was no additional support information needed and considering both the magnitude and importance of each identified potential impact, it is the conclusion of the Bristol Town Board as lead agency that: This project will result in no significant adverse impacts on the environment, and, therefore, an environmental impact statement need not be prepared. Accordingly, this negative determination is issued.

Supervisor Robert Green, Jr. will sign the document as Responsible Officer and Nicole Cleary of Barton and Loguidice as the Preparer of this document.

A motion was made by Dave Parsons with a second by Lauren Bolonda that the SEQRA was addressed and signed as completed.

Upon the conclusion of the public hearing and the SEQRA review a resolution to adopt the Town of Bristol 2018 Comprehensive Plan Update was made through a motion by Jeff Bliss with a second by Fred Stresing. Board members polled as follows: Stresing aye, Parsons aye, Bliss aye, Bolonda aye, and Supervisor Green aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Riker

Town of Bristol
Secretary to the
Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, and the
Comprehensive Plan Update Committee

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