

**MULTI-MUNICIPAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
LAKE REGION STEERING COMMITTEE**

MEETING MINUTES

January 10, 2006

The Lake Region Steering Committee Meeting was called to order at 4:40 p.m. on Tuesday, January 10, 2006 at the Paupack Township Municipal Building. Those in attendance at the January 10, 2006 Lake Region Steering Committee Meeting were as follows:

Mr. Russell Enslin, Lake Township	Mr. Peter Snider, Lake Township
Mr. Justin Hoffmann, Paupack Township	Mr. Robert Peters, Lake Township
Mr. James R. Martin, Consultant	Mr. Edward Kennedy, Palmyra Township
Mr. Thomas Shepstone, Consultant	Mr. Ted Kostige, Paupack Township
Mr. Joseph Kmetz, Palmyra	
Mr. Edward Coar, Wayne County Department of Planning	

Review of the October 11, 2005 Lake Region Steering Committee Minutes – The October 11, 2005 Steering Committee Meeting Minutes were presented for review and consideration of approval by the Steering Committee. Mr. Joseph Kmetz made a motion to accept the minutes as presented and Mr. Russell Enslin seconded the motion. The Lake Region Steering Committee with a vote of 8 yes and 0 no accepted the minutes as presented.

Review and Discussion of the Plan Public Meeting Series Conducted in November, 2005 – Summary Document Provided – The Steering Committee received a Summary Document of the three (3) Public Meetings conducted in November, 2005. The Summary Document provided a Background on the Project, a listing of the Public Meeting dates, a summary of the number of individuals who participated in the Public Meetings, an outline of the presentation and a summary of the comments received identified by Public Meeting site.

The Steering Committee agreed with the outline of comments provided indicating that the Summary Document outlined all the comments received through the Public Meeting process. The Steering Committee did discuss the issue of Zoning in Lake Township and the consensus of those in attendance from Lake Township was that the Township was not ready for the implementation of Zoning but that the Township was ready to address Property Maintenance issues through the use of a Property Maintenance Ordinance. It was agreed that a draft Property Maintenance Ordinance would be provided to Lake Township for their review and consideration.

Plan Goals and Objectives – Review Based upon Public Comments – The Steering Committee reviewed the comments received through the Public Meeting process in-relationship the draft Goals and Objectives developed by the Steering Committee which were presented at each Public Meeting. The Committee made the following suggestions for modifying the Goals and Objectives:

{1} ***Conservation Subdivision Design*** – The comments received related to this concept were very positive. The Steering Committee believed that the concept was addressed within the draft goals and objectives.

{2} ***Preservation of Natural Resources*** – This was addressed within 3.11(c) and also 3.1.5. Will look at add a letter c in section 3.1.7 concerning the preservation of natural resources.

{3} ***Lacawac Sanctuary*** – The Steering Committee agreed that the Lacawac Sanctuary should be addressed within the goals and objectives as contained within the plan. The Committee thought that the Lacawaca Sanctuary should be referenced within the Water Resource Section of the goals and objectives. Mr. Martin will discuss this issue with representatives from the Lacawaca Sanctuary and report back to the Steering Committee.

{4} ***Recreation Facilities*** – Recreation is addressed within the existing daft of the goals and objectives. Depending on the outcome of the discussions with DCNR the existing goals and objectives referenced within the plan related to recreation will be reviewed and possibly expanded upon.

{5} ***Senior Housing (Retirement Communities)*** – This issue was mentioned within 3.1.4 (c). This reference will be reviewed and consideration will be given to stressing active adult leisure activities as part of this issue.

{6} ***Commercial Development (Lake Ariel)*** – This issue was highlighted within 3.1.2. The Committee agreed that this issue was adequately addressed.

{7} ***Zoning*** – This issue was referenced within 3.1.7. Will modify introductory language for this section, eliminate a and will discuss a Property Maintenance Ordinance as well as insuring that any standards developed will compliment existing Subdivision and Land Development regulations.

{8} ***Small Business Development*** – This issue is addressed within 3.1.3. The Committee agreed that this issue is adequately addressed within this section.

{9} ***Building Code*** – This issue is addressed within 3.1.7. This section will be modified consistent with number 7 highlighted above.

{10} ***Small Farms*** – This issue is addressed with 3.1.5 (f) and (g). A new letter, letter (d) will be added to 3.1.3 within the proposed goals and objectives.

{11} ***Transportation (Pick-up and Drop-off points)*** - This issue is addressed within 3.2.2. The Committee felt that park and ride areas are addresses adequately within this section of the goals and objectives.

{12} ***Transportation (Road Maintenance and improve of Local and State roadways)*** – The Committee believed that this issue was adequately addressed within 3.2 of the proposed goals and objectives.

Based upon the review of the proposed Goals and Objectives in-relationship to the comments identified above received through the public meeting process, a new draft of proposed Goals and Objectives will be presented at the March 14, 2006 Steering Committee Meeting.

DCNR Grant – Scope of Work – Discussions with DCNR – The Consulting Team updated the Steering Committee on discussions with DCNR related to the Scope of Work on this segment of the Project. A follow-up discussion will be occurring with DCNR specifically related to private recreational facilities as well as the review of existing facilities as it related to condition and maintenance. The Consulting Team will update the Committee on the status of the discussion with DCNR at the next Steering Committee Meeting.

Next Steps – The Consulting Team will be preparing sections of the Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan for review and comment by the Steering Committee. Sections of the Plan will be provided at the next Steering Committee Meeting.

Next Steering Committee Meeting – ***The Steering Committee is not scheduled to meet in February but will meet on March 14, 2006 at 4:30 p.m. at the Paupack Township Municipal Building.***