

MINUTES of the Village of Montgomery Master Plan Committee meeting held in the Conference Room of the Village Hall, Clinton Street, on Thursday, April 16, 2015 at 7:30 pm.

ATTENDANCE: Chrm. Conero, Mbr. Freeman, Mbr. Daley, Mbr. Blake, Mbr. Romano, Alan Sorensen

OPEN: Chrm. Conero opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Chrm. asks Mr. Sorensen to clarify the demographics in chapter 2 and plan implementation in chapter 11, along with renewable energy.

Mr. Sorensen removed the original chapter 3 (the old chapter 4 is now chapter 3). Estimates from 2008 were higher than what actually happened, so Alan went by 2005 numbers. The population changed by 4.8%-moderate growth. Residents with a professional degree increased by 10.4% with a percent increase of 0.7%; the Village is consistent with the County. There are over 500 people over 65 (235 over 70 and 65 over 85). There was a change in labor force. Manufacturing actually increased. There is a 25.5% increase in renters. Natural resources stayed the same. Transportation changed because of the congestion on Clinton Street-certain intersections are failing in the afternoon. Coordinate with DOT to have designated bike routes, have designated bike racks and trails. Complete Streets is new, since 2008. There are a number of grants geared toward complete streets, which is why this was added. Make more walkable, kid-friendly. The next Consolidated Funding Grant comes out in May; maybe there is something the Village can use. There is discussion of interlocking stone for sidewalks, which is safer than the bluestone (this tends to be slippery). Stamped concrete would be less expensive.

Mr. Sorensen will take care of the captions. The school population update was based on 2010 numbers. On a whole, the kids are down except for Cornwall and Kiryas Joel. The Main Street Grant would benefit the Village-a lot of changes have come about with the grant. Outdoor eating was added to the plan. Having places available to eat and drink on the streets keeps people in the Village to shop. The bandstand will help with this, at least on Thursday evenings.

There is discussion about what is Mixed Use Development and how that can be clarified or add an addendum to it. In regard to the PDD process, possibly set a time limit or put limits on the size of the property. Or quite possible do away with the PDD altogether. Do they still want it??

There was no time to discuss renewable energy but it will be next month.

The next meeting will be Thursday, May 21, 2015 at 7:30 pm.

RE: ADJOURNMENT

A **MOTION** was made to adjourn the meeting by Chrm. Conero and seconded by Mbr. Romano at 9:12 pm.

Tina Murphy
Deputy Village Clerk