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Fwd: AGENDAcorridorcomm.doc #3

1 message

Ezekiel Goodband <zekegoodband@gmail.com>
 To: Dummerston Treasurer <treasurer@dummerston.org>

Mon, Feb 28, 2011 at 7:34 AM

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Lew Sorenson" <lew@svcable.net>
Date: February 10, 2011 8:59:35 AM EST
To: "Ezekiel Goodband" <zekegoodband@gmail.com>
Cc: "Steve Glabach" <gfcserv@svcable.net>, "Bill Schmidt" <elysian2@sover.net>, "Jack W. Manix" <jacmanix@sover.net>, "Mark Whitaker" <mswvt@svcable.net>, "Greg Brown" <gig_brown@yahoo.com>, "Dennis & Beverly Tier" <dtsignet@svcable.net>, "Dummerston Treasurer" <treasurer@dummerston.org>
Subject: RE: AGENDAcorridorcomm.doc

Thanks Zeke, I agree totally about "summary minutes". Your separate bullet notes will help a lot.
 Lew

From: Ezekiel Goodband [mailto:zekegoodband@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 10, 2011 7:29 AM
To: Lew Sorenson
Cc: Steve Glabach; Bill Schmidt; Jack W. Manix; Mark Whitaker; Greg Brown; Dennis & Beverly Tier; Dummerston Treasurer
Subject: Re: AGENDAcorridorcomm.doc

I did take notes on what people said once the meeting became more of a public hearing. For the minutes however, after talking it over with Laurie Frechette yesterday, I am probably going to say that a general discussion took place with many people making comments; I may list some of the comments to give a sense of the range of opinion. Minutes should not be a transcript of a meeting. If you look at the selectboard minutes from the recent public hearings on the town plan you will see that they are not transcriptions of those meetings. That said, I will send you, separate from the minutes, a list of who spoke and the bullet points of what they said. For example: Paul Normandeau; urged Committee members to find a balance, does not want to see Rt5 become a Brattleboro North. Cliff Allard; suggested buying development rights rather than changing zoning districts for preservation purposes. Randy Khan; suggested tapering development from the Brattleboro town line on northward. Will that approach work for this Committee? Also I would ask that your Committee ask members of the public to submit in writing any proposals or comments that go into specific detail or are more complex than can be accurately noted in a bullet type format.

Zeke Goodband
 On Feb 9, 2011, at 8:39 PM, Lew Sorenson wrote:

Thanks Greg, I agree. I hope Zeke captured much of the points people made as I know my memory will start losing the specifics before this morning.
Lew

From: Greg Brown [mailto:gig_brown@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 09, 2011 10:08 AM
To: Steve Glabach
Cc: Beverly Tier; Ezekiel Goodband; Mark Whitaker; Bill Schmidt; Lew Sorenson; Jack Manix
Subject: Re: AGENDACorridorcomm.doc

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Thanks.

Greg

Sent from my iPad

On Jan 30, 2011, at 8:02 PM, "Steve Glabach" <gfcserv@svcable.net> wrote:

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AGENDA
ROUTE 5 & 30 CORRIDOR COMMITTEE
February 8, 2011
6:30 PM
SOUTHERN VERMONT LEARNING COLLABORATIVE

NOTE: MEETING LOCATION CHANGE

1. Call to order at 6:30 PM
2. Approve minutes of January 11th meeting
3. Report from Lew Sorenson regarding grant funding
4. Report from Lew on website progress
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Steve,

Some thoughts on Tuesday evening's meeting. With the change of location to the Learning Collaborative, I anticipated some additional people would be present but I didn't know you had a full blown neighborhood meeting in mind. I had thought we'd have a regular committee meeting in prep for a neighborhood meeting on the last Tuesday evening of the month, a procedure it seemed we had agreed upon.

Those present did indeed express their development interests but for me what was said by and large was a repeat of what they and others said at the Planning Commission and Selectboard meetings and hearing on the Town Plan. Not having anything specific to respond to beyond "factors regarding development in the corridor", there was only limited talk about development limitations and the kind of development that would be desirable, and where. We got into the subject of land use districting for only a small part of the corridor.

In looking to upcoming meetings, my suggestion is that we have regular committee meetings on the first tuesday in prep for neighborhood meetings on the last tuesday. At committee meetings we can talk among ourselves (for the most part) about development limitations and potentials for the section of the corridor that will be the subject of the next neighborhood meeting. The latest WRC maps are a good place to start in this regard. We can also share with one another our thoughts on the rural commercial designation in the present town plan, and whether any other districting possibilities for the corridor in question are worth considering. This prep would provide us with both information and questions to present and consider with those who come to the neighborhood meetings.

Two meetings a month for the committee may be more than some want but I think we'd be doing everyone a service with them. The neighborhood meetings for their part would be more focused and useful and the committee would have opportunity to get itself better prepared and organized to decide its recommendations for corridor districting and densities

Bill



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Hi Steve,

I'd like to second some of the recommendations that have been suggested.

1. I did think that we were going to have a "prep" meeting first where we could examine the maps and perhaps come up with a few talking points or questions for the audience like "what would you like Route 5 to look like in 30 years?" and "how important do you think farmland and open space are to the community?"
2. I like the idea of introducing the committee, explaining why we exist and what input to our mission we would appreciate from the audience.
3. I think Zeke is doing fine with the minutes, short, concise and with the important topics highlighted.
4. I'm not a big fan of extra meetings but maybe we need to follow Bill's suggestion for a few months until we get our presentation details worked out.

thanks ... Jack

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From: Greg Brown
Sent: Wednesday, February 09, 2011 10:07 AM
To: Steve Glabach
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Manix

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