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Fwd: Next committee meeting #9

1 message

Ezekiel Goodband <zekegoodband@gmail.com>

Mon, Feb 28, 2011 at 7:37 AM

To: Dummerston Treasurer <treasurer@dummerston.org>

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Bill Schmidt" <elysian2@sover.net>
Date: February 23, 2011 2:52:42 PM EST
To: "Steve Glabach" <gfcserv@svcable.net>
Cc: "Jack W. Manix" <jacmanix@sover.net>, "Greg Brown" <gig_brown@yahoo.com>, "Mark Whitaker" <mswvt@svcable.net>, "Lew Sorenson" <lew@svcable.net>, <dtsignet@svcable.net>, "Ezekiel Goodband" <zekegoodband@gmail.com>, "Beverly Tier" <dtsignet.@svcable.net>
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Fwd: Next committee meeting #10

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To: Dummerston Treasurer <treasurer@dummerston.org>

Begin forwarded message:

From: lew lew <lew@svcable.net>
Date: February 24, 2011 1:24:53 PM EST
To: "Steve & Maria Glabach" <gfcserv@svcable.net>
Cc: "Jack W. Manix" <jacmanix@sover.net>, Greg Brown <gig_brown@yahoo.com>, Mark Whitaker <mshvvt@svcable.net>, "dtsignet@svcable.net" <dtsignet@svcable.net>, Ezekiel Goodband <zekegoodband@gmail.com>, Beverly Tier <dtsignet.@svcable.net>, Bill Schmidt <elysian2@sover.net>
Subject: Re: Next committee meeting

Steve,

As you know, I will miss the next meeting of our committee. While I strongly support the need for the committee to discuss our process and strategy for working together, I'd like to selfishly suggest that it might deserve an extra special "working" meeting of the committee, possibly the last week of March, when all members of the committee might participate.

The March 8 agenda could include preparation for the additional meeting including setting a date, and if to include Cindy as PC chair and whomever is the new Selectboard chair.

Thanks for your consideration.
Lew

On Wednesday, February 23, 2011, Bill Schmidt <elysian2@sover.net> wrote:

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Fwd: Survey info #11

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Mon, Feb 28, 2011 at 7:38 AM

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From: "Bill Schmidt" <elysian2@sover.net>
Date: February 25, 2011 11:59:19 AM EST
To: "Bill Schmidt" <elysian2@sover.net>, "Ezekiel Goodband" <zekegoodband@gmail.com>, "Jack Manix" <jacmanix@sover.net>, "Beverly Tier" <dtsignet@svcable.net>, "Lew Sorenson" <lew@svcable.net>, "Mark Whitaker" <mswvt@svcable.net>, "Greg Brown" <gig_brown@yahoo.com>, "Steve Glabach" <gfcserv@svcable.net>
Cc: "Cindy Wilcox" <wilcox1961@gmail.com>
Subject: Survey info

You may have noticed in Tuesday's Reformer the article on Westminster's zoning survey which is online. I checked it out and found it very interesting and perhaps helpful to our zoning update effort, including the work of the Corridor Committee. I encourage you to look at the survey questions yourself. Some of them pertain to information it would be good to have from landowners and residents, and also subjects we're talking about or at some point need to talk about. You can find the survey at www.westminstergovoffice.com which has a link to the survey.

Bill



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Fwd: Next committee meeting #12

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To: Dummerston Treasurer <treasurer@dummerston.org>

Begin forwarded message:

From: dtsignet dtsignet <dtsignet@svcable.net>
Date: February 27, 2011 11:34:13 AM EST
To: Bill Schmidt <elysian2@sover.net>
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Subject: Re: Next committee meeting

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Date: February 27, 2011 12:53:47 PM EST
To: dtsignet dtsignet <dtsignet@svcable.net>
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Subject: Re: Next committee meeting

Thanks Bev and Greetings All,
I agree totally with Bev that all of our meetings are open and the public is welcome; I certainly didn't mean to suggest otherwise in suggesting an additional meeting for the committee to resolve and recommit to a constructive process.

Also true that the committee is not here to serve ourselves, our objective must be to serve all CITIZENS of the Town (past, present and future) not just landowners, as well as the land itself and all it's resources.

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Fwd: corridor.doc #14

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From: "Steve Glabach" <gfcserv@svcable.net>
Date: February 27, 2011 3:40:28 PM EST
To: "Mark Whitaker" <mswvt@svcable.net>, "Beverly Tier" <dtsignet@svcable.net>, "Lew Sorenson" <lew@svcable.net>, "Bill Schmidt" <elysian2@sover.net>, "Jack Manix" <jacmanix@sover.net>, "Ezekiel Goodband" <zekegoodband@gmail.com>, "Greg Brown" <gig_brown@yahoo.com>
Subject: corridor.doc

To: Corridor Committee

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Subject: Re: corridor.doc

Steve,

I think you've presented an accurate sum up of the meetings so far. However, I think there is some misunderstanding about the suggestions put forth to spend some time discussing the maps and parcels. There is no way we can hold a private work session and no one is suggesting that. At our second meeting we asked Matt Mann to provide some mapping to help us get a picture of the corridor and the topography. Personally, I am not familiar with all the parcels and landowners, especially on the west side. I'd like to know who is who at the meeting and where their house or land is located so I can appreciate their concerns and suggestions.

The Selectboard asked us to "determine appropriate density and land use districting." I believe we are then to make recommendations to the Selectboard and Planning Commission. I will continue to ask citizens at the meeting how they view Route 5 and what they would like their town to look like in the future. Also, remember that not everyone has internet access and the citizens have a right to know who the people are that are representing the town. I also agree that any email correspondence be made public. Meetings cannot be "too open".

I'm not sure what you are referring to when you mention "notoriety" and when Bev mentions "serving yourself". Are we supposed to get a discount somewhere? A free ticket to the Oscars? Maybe it's just the committees I've been on but no one has ever told me I'm famous! thanks again for steering the ship ... Jack

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From: Steve Glabach

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