

Minutes

Waterfront & Community Revitalization Plan - Copake T1000932

Volunteer Meeting

August 20, 2020 Zoom 4pm Topic: Recreation and Revitalization

Present: Elayne Dix, Peggy and Gary Lewis,
Lois Iovisolo, Carol Gansowsk, Dale Peterson, Dan Haas, Alan Friedman, Jeffrey Dreiblatt, Jim Mackin, Linda Senk, Peter Kelly, Ann Hanna, Laurie and Joe Gross, Roberta Roll (chair)

Fishing Access - upper part of the Roe Jan, Upper part of Bash Bish, Maple Lane off Rt. 22, bridge over Bash Bish, Roe Jan Park. Fishermen don't like to divulge their favorite fishing spots.

Bicycling - have "stations" where cyclists could get air for tires, do small repairs. Perhaps at the gas station in Copake Hamlet, General Store, Depot Deli, Copake Park Building. Use signage to direct cyclists. Perhaps it is more practical to have these stations at popular starting points for rides, such as the Park Building in Copake, Copake Falls (at the current repair station) and Orphan Farm Rd.

Bird Watching - connect with the Rheinstrom Hill Audubon Center and Alan Devoe Bird Club

General Information, Maps and Signage - have maps directing people to the various sites (projects) and bike routes. Maps to unify the hamlets, "you are here" feature and then direct people to various paths and routes to other hamlets. Bike routes that use the roads would help integrate the hamlets too. Rt. 22 is a designated bike route.

Copake Spur - make Copake a destination. Kids are biking too. Could connect from Rail Trail to Weed Mine Pond and Road. There is state land at Weed Mine. Roberta will walk with Jim and Dan from Rail Trail to Weed Mine Rd. Discussed private property issue. Land values actually increase if near or adjacent to Rail Trail. There is a Master Plan for Taconic State Park. Maybe do it as a state project?

Could the town buy the Hub?