

Town of Amity
Planning Board
August 12, 2008

Members Present: Mr. Robert Ellis, Mr. Joseph Zajicek and Mr. Randy Potter.
Also Present: Mr. Kier Dirlam

Meeting was called to order at 7:06pm by Mr. Ellis, seconded by Mr. Zajicek.

Motion to approve the July meeting minutes made by Mr. Zajicek, seconded by Mr. Potter.

Mr. Ellis made mention that the Allegany County Comprehensive Plan was approved on July 28th with a vote of 14 yes, 0 no, 1 absent. The Town of Amity's Comprehensive Plan could possibly take some ideas from the county's plan for input.

Mr. Dirlam presented maps that showed which areas in New York State were zoned or had comprehensive plans. It was very clear that our immediate area in New York State was not as developed as most.

Discussion continues on ideas for the Comprehensive Plan. Natural resources and Recreation was the main topic for the evening. One of the goals for the plan would be to see about nature trails in the I-86 area. State forests located on Plumbottom Rd. and the Reddy Road would be another place to check on trails. The DEC could be of help in knowing where and if there are trails on the state forest land and also if there are any areas on such land for fishing. Access points for fishing on the Genesee River need to be located, there is the area near the fire hall, the walk in near Scio, Back River road and possibly the old conservation club. More areas with parking would be a better attraction. After the bridge is done in Belevidere the state should be putting in a recreation center with a picknick area nearby. Marketing the scenic views, recreation and natural resources that we have in our town would help bring people here to visit and hopefully help to boost our economy.

A letter to the Town Board regarding the necessity for a Town Historian will be drafted and sent.

At the next Planning Board meeting on September 9th a dicussion about housing, health and safety and community pride will be addressed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:20pm was made by Mr. Ellis, seconded by Mr. Zajicek.

Secretary: *Lisa Plummer*