

Jamaica Planning Commission Minutes
February 6, 2017

JPC Present: Veda Basset, Cortland Wood, Peter Hayward, Chris Robbins, Greg Meulemans

Others Present: John Bennett - WRC, Karen Ameden, Jeannine Stone, Bob Stone, Joel Bluming, Peter Andres, ed Flower, Tom Daigneault, David Mink, Erica Bowman, Sharon Kurland, Wade Hamilton, Dave Marx, Heidi Pancake, Elkyn Bishof, Carol Cantwell, Pat Meulemans, Travis Schwartz, Chrissy Haskins, Fred Maheux, Lou Bruso

Veda called the meeting to order at 7:05

Veda thanked everyone for coming and introduced John Bennett

John reviewed the town planning process and components of the plan. Jamaica has received a Municipal Planning Grant to assist with completing the revised town plan. The current plan expires in November, 2017.

Discussion ensued surrounding the components and specific interests within the plan where people want to assist with updating. Small sub-committees will form to develop ideas and present suggestions according the following schedule (note the page numbers refer to the current town plan which can be found online or in the Jamaica Town Office)

February 20: Element #1 Introduction and Community Profile (pages 1-12)

March 6: Element #5 Natural Resources (pages 13-30)

March 20: Element #4 Community Facilities and Services (pages 30-40)

April 3: Elements #6 Education (pages 40-42)

Flood Resilience

April 17: Element #9 Energy (pages 42-45)

May 1: Elements # 11 Economic Development (pages 45-47)

Water & Wastewater (pages 55-57)

May 15: Element #10 Housing (pages 47-50)

June 5: Element #3 Transportation (pages 51-54)

June 19: Element #2 Land Use (pages 57-64)

July 3: Element #8 Town Plan Compatibility (pages 65-67)

July 17: Element #7 Implementing the Town Plan (pages 71-end)

August 7th Wrap-up and review of the draft new Town Plan

THE FOLLOWING ARE TENTATIVE DATES:

August 21: Town Plan update done (latest)

September 18: JPC hearing to approve new Town Plan

October 23: Selectboard hearing to approve new Town Plan

Meeting adjourned for a short social gathering.

Meeting reconvened at 8:20 to discuss the Conditional Use Permit for the new town garage. JPC/Zoning Board of Adjusters will meet on February 27 at 6:30 to vote on it.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40

Submitted by Greg Meulemans