

**Town of Knox  
Special Meeting  
January 22, 2013**

**PRESENT:** Supervisor Hammond  
Councilwoman Pokorny  
Councilman Decker  
Councilman Barber

**ALSO:** Town Clerk Swain

In attendance: Betty Ketcham, Michael Swain, Edward Ackroyd, Bob Stevens, Daniel Driscoll, Robert Price, Patricia and Timothy Hagerott and Travis Stevens.

Supervisor Hammond started the meeting with reading the Legal Notice for tonight's meeting.

The Comprehensive Plan for the Town of Knox was completed in 1994; the Town Board adopted the plan on March 14, 1995. The Comprehensive Plan now nearly twenty years ago.

The board's mission is to re-activate a committee to review the Comprehensive Plan; review Nan Stolzenburg's comments and suggestions and update the plan.

In October 2012, the Town Board held a public hearing for the purpose of a Hydrofracking Moratorium Law. Legal counsel advised board not to make any decisions with the moratorium at this time. New York State continues to work on an environmental review, which will give the Town of Knox additional time to research this subject. New York State is conducting a review of the potential public health effects of the natural gas drilling process.

Nan Stolzenburg proposed scope of work for the revision of the Comprehensive Plan, included "al a carte" pricing; for issues that should be updated. Robert Price commented that the town has valuable assets that are willing to help on issues suggested by Nan Stolzenburg. Betty Ketcham and Dan Driscoll; both are willing to help in this project and keep the cost down.

Councilwoman Pokorny drafted a 6 step project task list, information taken from Nan Stolzenburg's review; items listed in the order of where they would occur in the process.

Supervisor Hammond asked attending residents if they would volunteer to be on the committee.

Michael Swain offered any help, but would not be able to sit on the committee. With no volunteers, re-advertise and hope the next meeting will bring more residents who will volunteer.

Dan Driscoll offered his assistance with the history of the Comprehensive Plan; he was one of the original members that implemented the plan. He suggested more than 5 to 7 members be on the committee. This committee needs individuals that have knowledge on different aspects such as; the environment, wildlife, road structure, Hydrofracking, etc. In 1992 or 1993 a survey was sent to residents regarding the initial Comprehensive Plan, he still has the survey and would be willing to pass that information along to the chairperson of the committee.

Discussion of on-line surveys; to be posted on the town website; at the town clerk's office; at the Transfer Station, etc, for the input of residents.

Suggestion made to advertise again, letter to the editor, and a box ad for the Town Board seeking individuals for the committee.

Set date for next meeting to be held on Wednesday, February 6, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. Town Clerk to advertise the legal notice. ***(Cancelled the meeting date of February 6, 2013 due to scheduling conflict with the Justice Court) Next meeting to be held on Monday, February 11, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.)***

Motion for adjournment by Councilman Barber, seconded by Councilwoman Pokorny at 8:13 p.m.

Supervisor Hammond thanked all that attended tonight's meeting.

January 28, 2013

Kimberly D. Swain  
Town Clerk