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**Town of Shandaken**  
**Comprehensive Plan Committee Meeting**  
**June 12, 2023**

Meeting was called to order at 7:05; members present:

Mary Herrmann	Present
Vivian Welton	Present
Mark Loete	Present
Allen Vella	Present
Kevin VanBlarcum	Present
MJ Reiss	Present
James Amenta	Absent
Leah Perloff	Present
Hilary Smith	Absent
Grace Grant	Present

Others Present: Supervisor Disclafani, Roy Dignes

Meeting opened with a conversation regarding the number of committee members as Roy Dignes has expressed interest in joining the Committee. Consensus amongst committee members is that there should be an uneven number of people on the committee to avoid a split vote in the future. Being that there are currently 10 members; Kevin VanBlarcum makes a motion to approve Roy Dignes joining the Committee; seconded by Mark Loete; all in favor.

Following the meeting last month, different members were tasked with attending upcoming meetings throughout the month of May to get suggestions from other Committees/Boards regarding the update to the Comprehensive Plan. Comments from those Committees/Boards as follows:

Planning Board: The Planning Board had to cancel their workshop in May so they have not had a chance to put together comments. Vivian Welton will speak with the Board and get those comments together for the July meeting.

Zoning Board of Appeals: The ZBA stresses the importance of updating the Zoning Code following the approval of the updated Comprehensive Plan.

PH2: Members of PH2 were informed that there would be a survey for the Comprehensive Plan; and that the CPC would be using some of their questions.

CAC: CAC will be having a meeting June 13<sup>th</sup>; any comments will be presented during the July meeting.

SAFARI: nothing was mentioned at the last SAFARI meeting regarding the Comp Plan.

Parks and Rec: Going forward they will be changing over all the playground equipment to "Natural Parks," incorporating natural features into playground equipment.

Housing Committee: Has not had a meeting yet, will ask for comments from them in the future.

#### New Business:

Following a conversation with a former Police Committee member, Vivian Welton says Crystal Wade helped the Police Committee with analysis of data collection following their survey. Is there money available for that? It is the committees understanding that if consultants are hired they would bear the responsibility of data analysis.

The town has received a few proposals from companies that can consult with the Committee regarding the update. The supervisor has asked them to submit bids.

#### Next Meeting:

Before the next meeting, committee members will add any questions they want to see on the survey to the Google Doc for review at the July meeting.

Also, during the next meeting the committee will review the current Compressive Plan together.

Mary Herrmann asks that a Co-Chair be appointed in case she cannot attend any meetings going forward. Mary Herrmann makes a motion that Leah Perloff be co-chair, seconded by Kevin VanBlarcum; all in favor.

There being no further business to discuss, Mary Herrmann makes a motion to close the meeting, seconded by Kevin VanBlarcum; all in favor. Meeting closed at 8:07pm.

Next meeting will be held on July 10, 2023 at 7:00pm.

Minutes prepared by Grace Grant.