



*"The Heart of the Park...Where the Eagle Soars"*

[www.shandaken.us](http://www.shandaken.us)

Supervisor: (845) 688-7165  
Police: (845) 688-9902  
Town Clerk: (845) 688-5004  
Justice Court: (845) 688-5005  
Assessor: (845) 688-5003  
Assessor Fax: (845) 688-5708  
ZBA/ZEO/Planning: (845) 688-5008  
Highway: (845) 688-9901  
Fax: (845) 688-2041

P.O. Box 134, 7209 Rte. 28, Shandaken, NY 12480

**Town of Shandaken  
Comprehensive Plan Committee Meeting  
April 8, 2024**

Meeting was called to order with the pledge of allegiance at 7:06pm.

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

Others present: Peter DiSclafani – Supervisor

**Old Business**

The committee continues its review of the current plan with Section IV.D

**D. Infrastructure**

**1. Utility Plan and Expansion**

- change underground to unobtrusive
- add "when feasible"
- No edits
- Include Pine Hill in this section
- Remove
- Add information regarding Shandaken residents ability to use the Saugerties transfer station to this.

Add the DEC to the list of Responsible Parties

**2. Communication Infrastructure Plan and Upgrades**

- a. Remove “A committee should be formed, which would” replace with “The Town should work with”
- b. Remove all language regarding passing a law, since the Town passed this law in 2005.

### 3. Transportation

- a. add “to enhance the Towns ability to achieve safety goals.
- b. Remove “Using GIS as a tool,”
- c. No Edits
- d. Change priority to Immediate
- e. Language in this section should be changed to “The Town should work with UCAT to achieve reliable route schedules.” Second sentence to remain, changing determined to considered. Change priority to Short-Term
- f. No Edits

### 4. Transportation

No Edits

### 5. Trails and Recreation Development

- a. No Edits
- b. No Edits
- c. Add where possible to the last sentence.
- d. Since the adoption of the current plan, the Catskill Interpretive Center has been built. Language here should encourage the Town to continue to work with the Interpretive Center going forward.

### 6. Public Facilities

First sentence should include a location outside of the Floodway. Add “Skate Park” to the list of what the facility could house.

### 7. Flood Prevention and Mitigation

First sentence should read “Locations that are most prone to flood damage should continue to be identified.” Add “The Town should continue to work with AWSMP going forward.”

## **E. Regionalism and Partnerships**

- 1. No Edits
- 2. No Edits

3. No Edits

4. Remove “tourism trail”

5. No Edits

Add 6. Work with and support local emergency services. Find ways to encourage people to volunteer with local emergency services.

Add AWSMP to list of responsible parties

#### **F. Public Education and Outreach**

1. Change “Form a committee” to “Continue to”

2. Change the first sentence to “Continue to maintain and develop the Towns website and encourage the use of Social Media Platforms.”

3. No Edits

4. Change language to “Work with the Housing Smart Committee for education and outreach, as they provide a forum to discuss the need for a healthy housing mix.”

### **Section V. Next Steps**

#### **A. Follow-Up Plans**

1. No Edits

2. Change last sentence to “Integrate existing and proposed recreation areas.”

3. Remove

4. No Edits

5. No Edits

6. No Edits

7. No Edits

#### **B. Priorities**

1. Add language about the creation of overlay districts to encourage certain types of construction in certain areas.

2. Remove

3. No Edits

4. Should read “Work with FEMA, AWSMP and other agencies for flood mitigation.”

5. Remove

6. Should read “ Establish/work with existing Chambers of Commerce and Business Associations.”

7. No Edits

8. No Edits

9. Remove

10. No Edits

11. No Edits

12. Remove

13. Remove

14. No Edits

15. Remove

### **C. Funding Opportunitites**

Remove the listed opportunities, direct people to grants.gov to see a current list of funding opportunities.

Mary Herrmann will put together a draft of the “revised” plan for the committee to review during the May meeting. That meeting will start early at 6:00pm to give the committee enough time to review the draft, with the goal of submitting it to the Planning Board in time for them to review it during their May meeting.

There has not been any news about the Pattern for Progress Grant. Supervisor DiSclafani hopes to hear from them shortly and will keep the committee updated.

### **Adjournment**

Motion to close the meeting was made by Kevin VanBlarcum; seconded by MJ Reiss, all in favor. Meeting was closed at 8:37

**Next meeting will be held on May 13, 2024 at 6:00pm**