

Stafford Hamlet Planning Meeting
January 6, 2009
West Linn Market of Choice

General Items:

Upcoming meeting schedule:

Vision Committee meeting, 1/08/09, Athey Creek Middle School, 7-9pm
Community/Board meeting, 1/12/09, Athey Creek Middle School, 7-9pm
Town Hall, 1/15/09, Athey Creek Middle School, 7-9pm
Town Hall, 1/17/09, Athey Creek Middle School, 10-12pm

Postcards and emails go out tomorrow

Tentative Agenda:

Concerns expressed by Ann Culter in email over Borland development
Carol Yamada's recommendations on timing and the process
Jay Minor's information on maps and demographics

Jay expressed concern over remaining confusion in the Hamlet about what "reserve" designation means. Amy Cleary agreed "how reserve designation impacts the area" should be on agenda.

Sally Quimby expressed concern over the March deadline, that perhaps there was a rush to a deadline when some people might not be ready. Molly disagreed, but added there needs to be more discussion of EFU lands at the Town Hall.

Rob wished to address Ann Culter's concerns:

Ann's questions are too specific to answer right now; the answers are years down the road. Metro has very strong ideas of what an urban development does/ should look like. Metro's land use laws are clear, but open to creative ideas that fit the rules. Rob said he was paying special attention to what Doug and Carlotta have to say about urban and rural designations. People in the Borland group are for urban reserve designation, but Rob is not aware of any specific lobbying going on.

General discussion of vision plan:

Mike Miller has heard some Hamlet people believe "analysis paralysis" has occurred and that the board and committee have taken too long. Molly asserted that there is an obligation to come up with a document that represents the whole Hamlet and it must be ready by March. Mike Stewart added more could always be added and we could have several versions in March. Jay and Mike M both agree only one plan should be devised. Mike S pointed out Tualatin has made a request for 1 acre parcels and will respect the Hamlet for what it is trying to do. Jay agreed Metro has wised up, that they need to listen to people. Sally suggested there be three plans: 1) leave as is; 2) 'nibble at the edges'; and 3) recommend development for Borland. Separate plans will give people a choice, and a final plan can be drafted from people's feedback. Carol agreed that a vote by ranking process could make this work. Many people excited about Scott's overlay map, agree it should be part of the Town Hall.

Kudos from Amy:

The Board and Vision Committee have worked through tough issues and accomplished a lot. In the end, the community relationships built through this process will be most valuable to you when outside forces start to act.

Action Items:

Scott will email his draft statement for the vision statement for people to look at.

Chris will provide Jay with more mapping info.

Jay and Scoot will work together to re-draft Scott's beginning statement.

Jay will send John the criteria on the HCA.