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New Scotland Hamlet Development District Study Committee
January 9, 7:15 PM
Meeting Minutes

Attendance:

Bill Hennessey – Town Board (Chair of Committee)
Adam Greenberg – Town Board
Edie Abrams – Zoning Board
Lance Moore – Zoning Board
Thomas Hart – Planning Board (excused)
Daniel Leinung – Planning Board

The Committee continued discussions on the “open space” requirements. The Committee discussed whether other items should be excluded when calculating open space requirements. Language should also be added to ensure that the open space that will be made available throughout the Hamlet District will be open and available to the general public as well as the residents of the HD. The Committee also believes that there should be a layout of where open space will be before land is developed that takes into account the connection of open space on adjoining parcels and the accessibility and connectivity of all open space throughout the entire HD.

The Committee also discussed the sections relating to Riparian setbacks and noted that the Town does not have much control over Riparian issues since the Army Corps of Engineers and NYS DEC mostly regulate wetlands. However, the Committee did not that the setback requirements would be in addition to those requirements set forth by the Army Corps and NYS DEC.

The Committee also discussed the possibility of moving the Hamlet Center district from near the 85/85A intersection closer to the Hilton Barn. There was discussion that since there is now expanded open space and potential development of a park at that end of the HD, it might make sense to look into moving the Hamlet Center to that section. However, the Committee did not make a formal recommendation to move the Hamlet Center.

The Committee adjourned at 8:30 p.m.