

Master Plan Working Group
Minutes
11/15 /16

Attending: Meryl Mandell, Bob Groves, Jeanne Brown, Al Hanson, Mary Anne Antonellis, David Kitteridge, Michele Cunningham, Howard Snyder from Harriman, Brad Spry

Members reviewed some of the comments on the survey cards completed by people who could not attend the meeting.

45 attended the meeting, 77 completed on-line survey, 7 paper survey. Group was excited by the high level of response. Discussed ways to increase response.

Michele will visit Jessica at the school and give her a reminder blurb with link to survey to put in the school newsletter. She will ask about microphone as per Mike's request. Howard brought 200 additional survey cards. Will try to distribute at Broadband Meeting, etc. Brad will distribute paper surveys at SAC Holiday Gathering 12/3/16.

Best case scenario is having input by 11/18/16.

Bob Groves left the meeting at 7:30.

Group reviewed and discussed input received from townspeople regarding MPWG workshop meeting at the elementary school 11/3/16

Nancy commented about Steve being late to the meeting - - assured by Howard Steve will not be late for the Dec. 5th meeting. Howard will ask for 5 people to attend.

Howard will take photos of the pages where we recorded the ideas at the meeting and send to Meryl.

Nancy asked: What will be the output from Harriman? How finished do we expect it to be and what do we see as next steps? Meryl - we will discuss after the second meeting and focus on what we learned at first workshop to take into second workshop. Nancy feels we should have more clarity before that. Meryl - what should we do with the information we got at first meeting?

Howard suggested that the general themes that emerged will guide us toward goals and objectives. At the second meeting we want to discuss what might be the effects of certain decisions. Matrix idea cause and effects of typical goals and objectives. What would need to be done in order to accomplish them?

5 themes emerged community, civic space, high cost , environmental conditions, internet/cell utilities Are you willing to... in order to... need to get an understanding of tradeoffs.

Nancy supports the idea of getting into the reality of trade-offs.

Take 5 major themes and delve into them a little more. Leave the specifics to the town planners, etc.

Idea of keeping the discussion at a high level by the questions we ask – we need to have one more meeting of this group to tease out those questions.

Howard will send Meryl the summary of what has been received from the survey – themes stayed the same, but people were more specific –will send digital copy with summary of both on-line and face to face group meeting.

Howard will adjust the last theme since broadband and cell will be settled in early 2018 (hopefully). One other theme – services for the elderly. Harold suggested Municipal services for the last themes or something similar that will cover ideas of services and the utilities issues raised during the workshop.

Jeanne suggested question – what are your targets and expressing themes as opportunities to keep the conversation positive. What are the threats to that target – pressures? (Similar to ideas sent by Jeff)

Timing is going to be important and the tone so that people know they have been heard. Nancy- Is there anything that didn't get dots that we think needs more discussion. Possibly give people a chance to go beyond the 5 themes.

Parking lot idea for individuals to record ideas that they feel are not addressed in the meeting. Chart to record additional ideas.

Howard will send Meryl some drafts of questions for the second meeting.

Ended with positive comments to Howard regarding what is working for us with Harriman.

Jeanne will follow up on childcare and we will find the \$60 for three child care volunteers.

Next meeting week of 11/28 Meryl will send Doodle Poll.

Agenda for next meeting:

Review minutes

Reflect on and refine questions

Finalize themes

Report on child care

Other plans to discuss for meeting

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Michele