

**MULTI-MUNICIPAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN  
LAKE REGION STEERING COMMITTEE**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**May 10, 2005**

The Lake Region Steering Committee Meeting was called to order at 4:35 p.m. on Tuesday, May 10, 2005 at the Paupack Township Municipal Building. Those in attendance at the May 10, 2005 Lake Region Steering Committee were as follows:

Mr. William Igoe, Paupack Township	Mr. Justin Hoffmann, Paupack Township
Mr. Russell Enslin, Lake Township	Mr. Alvin Myers, Hawley Borough
Mrs. Mary Sanders, Hawley Borough	Mr. Edward Coar, Wayne County Planning
Mr. Joseph Kmetz, Palmyra Township	Mr. Peter H. Snyder, Lake Township
Mr. Edward Kennedy, Palmyra Township	Mr. James R. Martin, Consultant
Mr. Thomas Shepstone, Consultant	Mr. Michael Hanf, Palmyra Township
Mr. Ted Kostige, Paupack Township	Mr. Chester Grodack, Lake Township

***Review of the April 12, 2005 Lake Region Steering Committee Minutes*** – The April 12, 2005 Steering Committee Meeting Minutes were presented for review and consideration of approval by the Steering Committee. The Lake Region Steering Committee with a vote of 11 yes and 0 no accepted the minutes as presented. Mr. Chester Grodack abstained from voting on the minutes as presented.

***Update on the status of Project Maps***

< ***Subdivision Maps Hidden Lakes Estates Development, Paupack Township*** – A subdivision map of Hidden Lakes Estates Development with identified developed properties was presented to Mr. Edward Coar, Executive Director of the Wayne County Department of Planning. Ed will use this information to update the land use maps for the Project Area.

***Land Use Maps*** – The Steering Committee agreed that all addition and changes to the Land Use Maps that were provided at prior Steering Committee Meetings will be considered final pending a final review of the Land Use Map Set by the Steering Committee.

***Consultant Maps*** – The Steering Committee agreed that all additions and changes provided at prior Steering Committee will be considered final pending a final review of the Consultant Map Set by the Steering Committee. Additional information on Historic Sites within the Project Area is forthcoming and will be include on the final maps.

***Community Survey – Summary Document*** – Mr. Martin, Project Consultant distributed and reviewed the Community Survey Summary Document with the Steering Committee. The Summary Document represents a detailed analysis of the Community Survey results. This document will be amended based upon comments and suggestions provided by the Steering Committee. Components of this Community Survey Summary Document will be included as part of the Multi-Municipal Planning Document.

***Goals and Objectives – Preliminary Discussion*** – Mr. Shepstone, Project Consultant distributed and reviewed a summary of the existing goals and objectives which presently exist within the Hawley Borough, Palmyra Township and Paupack Township Comprehensive Plans. In addition, goals and objectives which exist within the Lake Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance were also included within the summary. The various goals and objectives were separated within the following three (3) categories:

- < Land Use, Economic Development and Housing
- < Transportation
- < Community Facilities

The Steering Committee provided the following comments on the summary information provided:

***Steep Slopes*** – A suggestion was made that the Committee should not discount the ability of a property owner to develop an area which has steep slopes. Any reference to the development of areas within the Project Area with steep slopes should be encouraged provided best practice approaches are utilized.

***Poor Soils*** – Likewise, in areas with poor soils developed should be encouraged utilizing best practice approaches. The example was given whereby the construction of buildings should occur on the area where the poor soils exist and sewage treatment facilities should be placed in the area where the good soils are located.

***Lake Wallenpaupack*** – Reference was made to the importance of Lake Wallenpaupack to the existing and continued economic development of the entire Project Area.

***Cluster Development*** – Cluster Development should be considered where possible. Although a goal and objective was mentioned within the Paupack Township Comprehensive Plan a goal and objective related to Cluster Development should be considered for the Project Area.

***Commuter Issues*** - Discussion associated with this topic included the recently completed Community Survey and the response to the question related to where people work and the responses to that question. The majority of the responses indicated that they work in Lackawanna, New York and other areas of Wayne County. Concepts discussed included the possibility of Park and Ride facilities within the Project Area.

***Local Business*** – Goals and Objectives should be developed which encourage expansion where possible which will also encourage job development.

***Other*** – A comment was made that within the Paupack Township listing of Goals and Objectives included the “construction of an indoor recreation facility for Township citizens and the teenage population”, this goal and objective should be eliminated.

The Steering Committee members agreed to take the summary document of goals and objectives back to their respective municipality and review it with their Planning Commission to solicit their feedback. In addition, it was agreed that the consulting team will provide additional Community Survey information broken down by municipality to each municipality by June 1, 2005 so that this information can also be shared with the local Planning Commissions.

***Next Steering Committee Meeting – The next Steering Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 12, 2005 at 4:30 p.m. at the Paupack Township Municipal Building. The Steering Committee will not meet in June, 2005.***