

Vision Committee Meeting Minutes

February 4, 2016 6:30pm

Members Present: Jerry Aroneo, Neil Henry, Bruce Meringolo, Cornel Schuler, Lisa Scanlon, and Peter O'Neill

Don Farnell joined us.

The meeting was started with an interview of Landscape Design firm, Suburban Consulting Engineers, Inc. (SCE) Representing SCE were Joseph Perello, Principal/VP and Kirk Danielson, Project Coordinator. SCE provided us with an overview of their experiences and their work. Approximately 80% of their work has been on Active Recreation projects. SCE also highlighted projects where they had to address wetlands issues and work with the DEP, such as East Hanover HS athletic field/track. They anticipate the DEP permitting process for our project will take at least 5 mos.

SCE presented the committee with 2 Concept renderings. There was a lot of discussion revolving around the DEP permitting process and the costs/timelines associated with such. The Committee discussed with SCE the possibilities of dividing up the development of Central Park and adjacent township properties into phases. This can be done, but the only caution is that we would want to complete the work (all phases) before any DEP permits expired—probably within 5 years of starting.

The Committee also spent a lot of time discussing what SCE's Community Outreach on the project would be. The Committee asked SCE to come back with costs on that part of the project.

SCE needs from us all Lot and Block numbers for all of the associated properties.

SCE completed their presentation to the Committee at 8pm, and the Committee remained to handle regular business.

The minutes from the Vision Committee meeting of January 7, 2016 were approved.

Neil Henry updated the Committee on the Eminent Domain Hearing. The process has started. There will be three different trials as there are 3 different parcels of land each with different owners—all using the same legal representation. Next phase will take place March 9, 2016.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 09, 2016 to interview Landscape Design firm, RBA

Meeting adjourned 8:55pm.