

**VILLAGE OF VICTORY
PLANNING BOARD
Meeting Minutes
January 19, 2016**

Call Regular Meeting to Order 6:30pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Roll Call: Present: Chairman Pete Healy, Members Bill Lloyd, and Tim Fort. Absent: Corey Helwig due to his work schedule. Also present Recording Secretary, Bielkiewicz, and Drew Alberti – Lakes to Locks Passage, and Travis Kline – Kataphusin Design

2. Approval of Minutes – Monthly Meeting – November 17, 2015. A motion was made by Member Lloyd and seconded by Chairman Healy to accept the minutes as submitted. All in favor –aye. Motion passed.

The balance of the meeting was basically an open floor discussion primarily involving comments from Mr. Alberti and Mr. Kline. Comments made were as follows:

- Mr. Alberti discussed the two kiosks the village will be obtaining in the future and said he need approval of the content of the wording that was submitted to the village. Member Lloyd noted that the Board had approved the wording as had the Planning Board. The kiosks basically give the history of the Village of Victory, and an overview of background of the Lakes to Locks Passage. The kiosks should be within view of Victory Mills. He also stated the kiosks are warranted for normal wear and tear. Chairman Healy noted that the Board felt that one should be placed near the Mill after the Mill is constructed. Mr. Alberti responded that there was no problem with the Village storing them for future use. The will be delivered to a central location, the village will need to pick them up, then put in storage of necessary. It may be possibly a year before delivery.
- Mr. Kline then went on to the discussion of the “Memorial Park” property. He then questioned - what does the Board see happening with this area: 1) Near the Mill Project, 2) it is a gorgeous piece of property, and 3) within walking distance to the Village. Recommends shooting for the moon as far as financing requests. It is more likely to be funded if your homework is done and everything is in order for submission. This means outlining the project from A-Z. Mr. Alberti also said community involvement and investment are major impacts.
- Mr. Kline stated that the first step is to have a survey of the land done. He can reach out to individuals he feels would be willing to take this on and add the fee into the final proposal. A time crunch is coming up in Feb-Mar with further grants in June.
- Economic benefits such as the Raceway, this particular body of water. But there could be misuse of the property by plain misbehavior.
- A focal point of 25’ above the water. People would be able to walk up and look down at the water, being able to protect ecological barriers and enhance the view. The funding to make this happen would be protecting the esthetic beauty.

- Polling the village residents to see what they want. Focus on the project and uses, mill going in, and the history and individuals.
- Member Fort also commented that the fishing is great. Possibly being able to have fishing classes for youngsters.
- Mr. Alberti commented on the Land Water Revitalization Plan for the Hudson-Hoosick Partnership-Stewardship Plan which involves 32 communities. Possibly we could get Assemblyman to assist with this. The more overlapping of organizations the better. Of course, in-kind services will greatly help. Huge PR for construction firms to participate.
- A covered shelter should be considered to year-round activities. Possible consideration of solar services.
- For public memorial services – public toilets should be rented.
- Chairman Healy and Member Lloyd gave Mr. Kline the drawings a village resident made of his ideas for a memorial park which Mr. Kline thought was very cool. Mr. Kline feels that a firm in Warrensburg would donate a plaque. The firm owner is a Vietnam Veteran.
- Mr. Kline will touch base with Mr. Alberti on various information. Once this is done, 10 days to two weeks, organizations we can tie everything in.
- Mr. Kline will look into his survey contact.
- Mr. Alberti will look into pocket park information.
- No kiddie pools, no restrooms, no permanent structures except pathways, etc.
- Mr. Kline will get together information for residents. Member Lloyd will get out or hand deliver to residents for their feedback. We need to keep an open dialog.
- Feb 16th, next meeting, have a pre-budget meeting after feedback from residents. Mr. Kline will put together a budget for the Village Board. The Village Board should be invited to attend this meeting.
- Involvement is important.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

JoAnn Bielkiewicz

Recording Secretary