

TOWN OF ONTARIO COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Project Steering Committee Kick-Off Meeting | October 6, 2020

Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Frank Robusto, Town Supervisor	Glenn Majewski
Bob Kelsch, Deputy Supervisor	John Evanowsky
Bill Riddell, Parks and Recreation Director	Jenna Mausolf
Matt Horn, MRB Group	Carol Schwartz-Mizelle
Shaun Logue, MRB Group	Susan Brown
George Konstantinou	Joe Crestuk
Brian Natale	Don Cedruly
Sylvia Ryndock	

Welcome + Introductions

Matt Horn, MRB Group, welcomed the Steering Committee attendees to the second Steering Committee meeting. Shaun Logue, MRB Group provided an overview of the Agenda and what will be discussed. Meeting minutes from the September 10, 2020, Kick-off meeting were approved.

Project Updates

Shaun began the meeting with updates to the process and project status:

Public Participation Plan (PPP): Copies of the PPP were provided to Committee members on September 21st and were asked to review the document and provide feedback. It was mentioned that the PPP would need to be revised from time-to-time. The PPP was approved by the Steering Committee.

Community Survey: The Committee received a draft copy on September 21st and were asked to review and provide input prior to the October 6th meeting. Comments were received and the Committee members provided additional input at the meeting. The revised Community Survey went live on the Onwardontariony.org website on October 9th.

Webiste: Shaun revealed the project website, Onwarontariony.org and walked the Committee members through the different elements and website pages. Shaun informed the group that the survey will have its own page. The website will be directly link to the Town of Ontario's homepage.

Community Activities: Shaun and Matt discussed setting the date, time and location for the first public workshop. After deliberation and going over Department of Health requirements, the Committee set the date for December 10th, 2020 from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. at the Parks & Recreation Community Center at Casey Park. The Committee agreed that it will be an "Open House" format to meet the social distancing guidelines.

Additionally, the Committee recommended reaching out to the Superintendent of Wayne Central School District in an effort to sending information relating to the webpage, survey and the first public workshop. It was also discussed contacting the local Rotary Club, which meets every Tuesday of the month in an effort in spreading the word.

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Visioning Exercise: Photo Scavenger Hunt

At the September 10th, Kick-off Steering Committee meeting, MRB requested that each Committee member provide 5 photos that “they love about Ontario” and 5 photos that “could be improved or challenges about the community”. Photos were received from ten (10) Committee members, which were presented in a PowerPoint presentation. MRB asked each Committee member to speak on the photos that they submitted. Great dialog occurred between Committee members, which will assist during the Visioning process. A PowerPoint hand-out was provided to the Committee members, so they could be placed in their binders.

Summary & Next Steps

For the next meeting, MRB will be discussing the different visioning exercises that will be provided at Public Workshop #1. Furthermore, MRB will be conducting visioning exercises with the Committee. One will be a mapping exercise and the other will be an exercise in an effort to develop draft Vision Statements. The Vision Statements will then be presented at the public workshop for community feedback.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.