

Minutes
Citizens Advisory Committee
August 12th, 2022

New Market Crossroads Festival

Members Present: Mike Liskey, Lemuel Hancock (Director Of Community Development), and Tyler Hinkle (County Planner).

Members Absent: Joe Bayless, Vito Gentile (Chair), Rochelle Dornatt, Sarah Mauck, Laura Bennett, Seth Coffman, Scott Terndrup, Jessica MacDonald, Jacob Bowman, Jon Bennett, Todd Steiner, and Brad Swank

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

Community Collaboration Session:

Purpose of Community Collaboration Sessions:

Engage multiple members of different communities in Shenandoah County at existing events while also providing a space for individuals to share their ideas for the future of where they live and the County as a whole.

First Interaction

“Hi! We need your input on the future of Shenandoah County and **New Market**. You can take these Legos and place them on our table where you think stores, restaurants, factories, homes, sidewalks, roads, and parks can go in your ideal community. The Lego map doesn’t represent any place in particular, its just for you to give input on your ideal community. For each question you fill out on the questionnaire, we’ll give you an extra Lego to put in the community. In addition, we have maps here for you to write down what you like, want to see improved, and any other aspects for the future of the County. You can share your ideas with everyone else at our mapping activity table and find maps for the villages and hamlets in the County. Let us know if we can help in any way!”

Lego Input Table

As people entered the tent, a few Lego pieces were given to them. Participants took the Legos and placed them on the table where they thought stores, restaurants, factories, homes, sidewalks, roads, and parks can go in your ideal community. The map doesn’t represent any place in particular, just what they would want to see in their ideal place to live. Participants were encouraged to discuss with their neighbors why they chose to place bricks where they placed them and how it helped to improve the community.

Activity #1 Mapping Assets And Improvements

As participants entered the tent they were given a map of the County and told that they can note the places they like, places they want improved, and other places of importance on the map. There were also be paper maps for them to give input on specific villages and hamlets in the County. There were QR codes that could be scanned that take participants to an online map

where they can draw their ideas for the community on a map that everyone can contribute to even after the event is over. CAC members guided members of the community to the paper maps as spatial topics arose and guided them with drawing their ideas on the maps.

Activity #2: Card Activity

Participants were encouraged to fill out the back of cards with their experience / ideas for that particular idea on the card.

Activity #3 Poster Wall

The wall of the tents were lined with posters to provide information to participants and those who pass through the tent. There were three categories for posters based on where they are in the tent with A on the right, B on the left, and C at the back of the tent. Members of the CAC spoke with members of the community and wrote down or helped them write down their ideas of sticky notes and helped them find the best place for where their ideas fit in to a poster. Below is a description of the posters:

- A. Town And County Comprehensive Plans

- B. Chapter Input:
 - a. Six smaller posters each with a chapter
 - b. Corridor H, Rt 55, I-81 / Rt 11, Rt 42, Rt 211
 - c. Future Education and Recreation Facilities

- C. Specialty Posters On North Fork Master Plan, Keister Park, And Wagner Park

Meeting End: The meeting was ended at 8:00 pm.

Next Meeting: The next full CAC meeting is set for August 24th, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors room of the county building. The next Community Collaboration Session is set for **August 13th, 2022 at 6:00pm at Orkney Springs' Shenandoah Valley Music Festival.**

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