

TCLocal Meeting Minutes: October 4, 2008

Present: Jon Bosak, Seph Doliner, Terry Moore, Bethany Schroeder, Tom Shelley, Simon St. Laurent

1) Health Resource Assessment - Bethany: Please get comments in by 10/18 for turn-around publication before the next meeting.

- General discussion: All hope that new articles will increase comments.

2) Website

- All seems well, though comments few.
- Developing a new repository on old data - Simon and Jon: Ithaca Journal making evergreen the URLs.
 - Behind, but foundation running privately now; basic tests worked
 - Need to add data from the old repository version
 - Still hope to have running publicly before next meeting

3) County issues

- Energy Component of Comprehensive Plan: Jon sent comments in. No certainty exists that the plan will be approved. Simon commented on the high way superintendent's lists and amounts of biodiesel that would be required for County. Terry asked why salt is increasingly expensive: cost of transportation and difficulty getting salt out of deep mines, as well as recent mine failures.
- TCAT: John may have had an impact on Martha Robertson's response. Jon will research how we break out costs and will bring costing data to next meeting.
- Carrowmoor: A new development on Rte 79. Jon gave details of proposed development. About half of Carrowmoor's web site is complete.

4) Meeting space arrangements: We're happy in homes. Will meet at Tom's in December (6), following his surgery.

5) Interactions with other organizations: None new to report.

- Organizational Issues: Simon will present for CU, as a result of an invitation from Elan Shapiro
- Recruitment for future pieces: Nothing new to schedule now. Discussed printing pieces for local distribution; finalize a plan in November.
- Chair election in November.

7) Future agenda items

1. look at original plan
2. TCAT as continuing item
3. update on Carrowmoor
4. election
5. discussion of affiliations

Rough blog publishing plan:

January: "Fruits in a Post-Peakoil Tompkins County" (Angelika - posted)

March: Roads etc. (Simon - posted)

May: The TCLocal recommendation for the City of Ithaca Water Treatment Plant decision (Jon - posted)

July: Urban land use design principles (Josh - posted)
August: Rural land use design principles (Josh - posted)
September: Household preparation, part 1 (Kate - Posted)

October: Health resource assessment (Bethany – pending Simon's post)
November: Small livestock (Angelika St. Laurent)
December: Waste management (Tom Shelley)
January: Food processing (Seph Doliner)
February: Local foodsheds (Chris Peters)
March: Local wood heat (Tony Nekut)
April: Local biofuel production (Tycho Dan)
May (tentative): Household preparation, part 2 (Kate)
June: Health Care, part 2 (Bethany)

Next meeting: November 1, 4-6, Seph's house: 526 N. Aurora St., Ithaca