

# VILLAGE OF SCHUYLerville 2025 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

## Public Meeting Summary

January 29, 2005

Saratoga Town Hall

A total of 16 people attended the public meeting generated to review the recommendations in the 2025 Comprehensive Plan Update. Mayor Carpenter introduced the Advisory Committee and thanked them for their work. Members included: Jennifer Moskowitz, Leona Colvin, Linda Lloyd, Sandy Helmig, and Dan Carpenter. Tracey Clothier of Clothier Planning & Consulting facilitated the PowerPoint presentation.

Mayor Carpenter explained the need for the Plan Update and that funds for this update were granted through the Hudson River Valley Greenway Communities Grant Program. He also said the comprehensive plan update will complement and provide the foundation for the NY Forward grant that is in the final stages. The comprehensive plan fully compliments the NY Forward project by providing the baseline community improvements that support the recommended projects.

Tracey Clothier presented the PowerPoint which gave some background for the project, read the vision, and outlined the recommendations for Economic Development, Community Services, Land Use and Zoning, Housing, Infrastructure, Parks, Recreation & Trails, Historic and Cultural Resources, Natural Resources and Climate Resiliency.

A question-and-answer period continued following the presentation. The following comments were made by the attendees:

- The Vision statement contains parts of a mission statement.
- The plan needs to address on and off-street parking and enforcement of parking regulations.
- Consider a parking study that evaluates the availability and conditions of all available parking spaces downtown and follow up with appropriate signage.
- How is the plan going to be implemented? There seem to be a lot of committees that are needed. How will this happen? Tracey explained that there should be a “Plan Implementation Committee” appointed by the Village Board. This group would then assess the existing committees and whether new ones need to be created to implement the plan’s recommendations. It is intended that the proposed Implementation Committee would report to the Village Board on a regular basis.
- Revitalize the Smart Climate Community Committee. Generate a relationship with the school on climate impact issues.
- Improve the Village website with first-page information on the history of the area and a link to goods and services for visitors.
- School taxes in Schuylerville are much higher than other school districts in Saratoga County. How can high taxes be addressed?
- Consider making a recommendation for some organization to start a summer history camp for children.
- There needs to be a one stop online location that business investors or startups can go to for resources.
- Does this plan consider resources such as Saratoga Apple or the wallpaper factory that are out of the village but still have influence in the village? The village can only consider resources that are in the village itself.
- Sewer and water rates are too high. Consider expanding the boundaries of the districts. This would enable the village to sell water at a higher rate to new developments outside the district.
- Participate in Saratoga County Water District discussions on a new plant along the Hudson River.