Master Plan Steering Committee Meeting February 13, 2012 - Old Library

Present: Tim Clark, Joe Hutchinson, Michelle Catalina, Lucy Wallace, Ron Ostberg, Juliet Walker, Sue Brown

Meeting opened 6:00PM

Focus Group Review by BW

BW reported summaries of findings and primary issues identified

Survey closed 1/31/2012

Reviewed Data summary findings by BW included in report submitted by BW.

Working group reports

RO provided an overview of approach to leading the Conservation working group scheduled for 2/15. Group to identify Threats and opportunities - If there are issues that are bigger than or cross over that need to be resolved in Phase 2?

LW - Housing group to be rescheduled - maybe split into two groups to achieve the goal of meeting with all stakeholders.

TC - recommended we focus on validating boards for the 3/3 meeting as part of working group responsibility. Refinement, not reinvention.

Vision/Goal update

Draft work product continues to evolve. Survey inputs may change hot points - to be reviewed at monday meeting with BW.

March 3, 2012 forum update 9-1pm - (8:30-9am coffee time)

BW presented outline for forum on 3/3

8:30-9 Open House coffee hour. Coffee in Middle/front room? Big room constrained with seats. Put next to boards comment flip charts. MPSC to bring 5 easels

9 - BW to begin presentation - History, inputs, summaries of survey, draft vision and goals, 5 key topic areas that lead to breakout. BW to have handouts of survey highlights. Report over-arching vision -

9:40-10:25 - Participants go to topic area - pick two First session all will review vision at all groups, then topic number 2

10:35- 11:10 - Second topic area - review vision/goals

RO - suggested Intro - components of rural character - how are they threatened? This is the process of how we drilled down. Small town-ness (psychological) Rural Character (physical) (JH-and how we pay for it).

Devens is a key issue - validation in survey, working groups.

Can we develop the variety of scenarios - look at govt implications, physical, economic - its not just devens - it affects all aspects of the Master Plan

RO Consider 6 sentences

How do the alternative outcomes of Devens influence each of the following: housing revenue infrastructure education

Commercial development

Conservation

What does the town need to do to (take next steps) to define a vision for the vision of Governance at Devens and how it will affect Harvard.

Meeting Adjourned 9:45PM Minutes drafted by TC