

Open Space Advisory Board Meeting

December 08, 2021

Attendees:

Sherri Evans-Stanton
Elena Stewart
Lee Jarmon
Jennifer Adkins
David Yan
Simeon Hahn

NCC Staff

Kendall Sommers
Michael Clendaniel
Andrea Trabelski
Tracy Surlis
Richard Hall

Sherri Stanton-Evans began the meeting by discussing:

- ♦ The context for the role of the Board
- ♦ Date of next meeting
- ♦ Land Preservation Task Force Report

Sherri then turned it over to Kendall Sommers to present a short presentation regarding the Open Space Portions and Farmland Preservation of the task force report, beginning with Goal 1.

Kendall Sommers went over:

- ♦ Task Force Suggested Criteria, such as Water, Ecological, etc.
- ♦ NCC present Master Plan
- ♦ Examples to think about

Rich Hall, with assistance from Andrea Trabelski, then gave a short presentation on the comprehensive plan for 2050. Items discussed were as follows:

- Open Space Preservation Advisory Board
- New Castle County Comprehensive Plan
 - Some items are more NCC-dependent than others
 - Community Vision, Goals, Objectives, Strategies & Actions
 - What the Comprehensive Plan Seeks to Answer
- Themes
- Multiple Ways to Connect
- Draft Priorities (11)
- Goal – Objective

- Preservation – will need 7k more acres to meet the goal

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- Open Space Today
 - Goal 1.2
 - Goal 2.4
 - Review the Draft Plan (by 12/12)
 - December – Public Forum #3
 - 2022 – Refinements and formal adoption process
 - Website for reference: NCC2050.newcastlede.gov
 - Email: NCC2050@newcastlede.gov
 - ARPA Funding – Direction for its use
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- ♦ Mike Clendaniel discussed the maps for use by the Board. It was determined that interactive maps would be helpful for the Board to utilize in evaluating criteria for preserving open space.
 - ♦ The Board's role will advise and the County will hire a professional to create the criteria to be reviewed by the board.
 - ♦ Board to give feedback on RFP for an open space consultant.
 - ♦ Comprehensive Plan Meetings – 3.
 - ♦ Include recommendations coming from the Comprehensive Plan.
 - ♦ Look at criteria already in the Comprehensive Plan.
 - ♦ Follow up information for the next meeting – January, February?
 - ♦ Jennifer said that January is good for her and Lee Jarmon said it is good for him.
 - ♦ They decided on the second Wednesday of January – 01/12/2022.
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- Comments should be sent to Sherri by 12/20 and she will put the first draft together.
 - Kendall and Rich Hall will send items from the Master Plan.
 - Mike Clendaniel & Kendall Sommers are hoping to have a consultant in place by March 2022.

Meeting adjourned at 11:09 a.m.