

- The decisions are up to the community as to what they want to do and what they can afford. It is a long-term plan. The decision will be urban planning based.
- Elmira did this a few years ago and nothing changed in bringing people into the community.
- The Public Works Department will review a mock-up of the banners that are going to be placed on North Main Street from I-86 to the downtown. The Planning Commission and the Public Safety Committee have reviewed them. The goal will be to have them up before winter.
- Does the plan address the flow of traffic from I-86 for ambulances to the hospital?
- Traffic counts were conducted in specific key areas.
- Washington Street was reviewed to possibly slow traffic in the area.

Neighborhood Revitalization/Housing

- A resolution from the City Council supporting the strategies and recommendations of the Strategic Planning and Partnership Commission was adopted at the September 22, 2008 meeting.
- The 2010-2014 Consolidated Plan will serve as the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan.
- HUD endorsed the idea of the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan.
- Data collection is already being completed for the consolidated Plan.
- Bill Rice will develop an RFP
- The Chautauqua County Legislature is reviewing the establishment of a Chautauqua County Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization Trust Fund in an amount up to \$250,000 to match other investment that could amount to \$1 million dollars.
- The money is intended for creative ideas beyond the existing housing corporations.
- CHRIC has been working on a website. A "My Jamestown Neighborhood Website" has been drafted. It will continue to be worked on and was not completed in the summer. Meetings can be scheduled, receive news, get information, etc. It will need staff support for someone to help organize. Neighborhoods will have to be determined. The purpose will be to help promote neighborhoods. It can be linked to the city website as well as others. Monies are available through Neighborhood Works Program. Chuck Cornell, Greg Rabb, Matt Hanley, Len Faulk and John Murphy comprised the sub-committee.

Young Professionals Task Force

- Joelle Conti will co-chair this task force with Kerri Brown.
- A meeting was held last Thursday.

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- Discussions held are regarding what is important to the group, the areas of interest as young professionals and to bring young professional back to the area and to attract new ones.
- The areas of interest include Entrepreneurship, Work Force Development and attracting and supporting new residents.
- Ideas generated include incubators in town, mentoring programs, loan repayment and tuition reimbursement, job shadowing and an “Old Home Days” social event that could be held over Thanksgiving to encourage young professionals to see that Jamestown has the same opportunities that the big cities do.
- The Community Foundation has tried to have an event like this in the past at the Jackson Center. Possibly changing the location to a trendier venue will encourage young professionals to attend.
- Pairing young professionals up with mentors is a possibility.
- Funding is also being reviewed to hold the event.
- The DJDC could be used to help publicize the event.
- Home ownership is also being reviewed especially for middle class incomes.
- SONYMA may be available for them.
- A meeting with the foundations and CEO’s will be held after the solutions are determined.
- It will be determined if the “Brain Drain” commission at the state level is still in existence.
- Grants for the Community Foundation may be available to the group.

BPU Project

- The Ward 1 meeting was held on October 1, 2008 at Ring School.
- The Scientists from each company were in attendance to discuss a specific aspect of the project.
- The presentation went 1.5 hours and will be cut down. A handout will be provided for greater detail as well as poster boards.
- Some parts of the presentation were too technical to understand.
- The next meeting may be held on December 3rd.
- The Chautauqua County Energy Conference will be held November 14-15 at Chautauqua Suites.
- The BPU will be having a panel discussion on the 15th to discuss the project as well as other areas, (e.g., bio-fuels, district heating, conservation measures, etc.). The BPU is a sponsor of the event.
- Three community forums sponsored by the Commission will also be scheduled to discuss the project. The second one may be held January 28th.
- Jamestown is getting on the International map regarding the project. We should take advantage of this publicity. The companies involved are major players in Western New York. The

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message needs to get out that something this important is happening in Jamestown. The BPU Board is doing everything it can to advance this project.

- Some individuals want to sit down and talk to the panel members outside of the forums.

Regionalism-Shared Services

- Stan Lundine will be asked to attend the November meeting to discuss his commissions' findings.

Other Business

- A public forum will be held on October 14, 2008 at the Jamestown Savings Bank Ice Arena regarding the Brownfield Opportunity Area grant application, (memo attached).
- This meeting is a requirement of the Department of State.
- The grant application will amount to \$450,000.
- No local match is required.
- TVGA Consultants is completing the application.
- The Weinstein property is in Phase II.
- Letters of support will be requested.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

James N. Olson
Director of Financial Services/City Clerk