

John Wright

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To: "John Wright" <jwright.townofnewglarus@tds.net>
Sent: Wednesday, September 08, 2010 1:38 PM
Subject: Re: reminder
John-

My apologies. Life has been a bit nutsy as we have had an extended period of having company, and we are now in Washington D.C. helping my sister prepare for her move to Columbus Ohio. With her until September 17th. If feedback would be of use after that, I would be happy to put something together. Here are my very, very cursory and brief thoughts.

- It is important to revisit the prior plan, review the work that has been done in the last two or three years, and determine if there are IMPORTANT things that have not been accomplished.
- As the township has changed from a farming township where folks were connected to one another through shared work, and multi-generational ties, to a township with a handful of farmers and many, many commuters, it is important to figure out whether or not the township wants to develop an identity. Work that can be done around recreating/educating about natural resources/common gatherings/and caring for our shared natural resources might be just that binding purpose.
- If it is considered important (I consider it to be very important) for the township, the village, and the school district to function as a "common whole" are there ways that cooperative efforts can be found through shared projects involving that which we would normally consider to fall within the arena of "Parks" work. Are there ways that the township could provide "value added" work to projects that relate to Parks that are already being undertaken by the village, school district, or state (i.e. creating rest areas along the Sugar River Trail, helping with development of Hoesly's pond, adding to work that has been privately started for a river walk, adding to the resources at the soccer field park).

A big question is whether or not Parks work is a luxury at a time when the Town seems to have difficulty caring for some of its basic tasks, i.e. maintaining roads.

If the answer is that it is a luxury, is there any way to having a holding time period with a return to action when things are better.

Sorry to not be available for discussion. Darol Holmes

On Wed, Sep 8, 2010 at 1:08 PM, John Wright <jwright.townofnewglarus@tds.net> wrote:
All,

I just wanted to remind you about the Town of New Glarus Parks Commission meeting at the Town Office (1101 Hwy 69 in the Swiss Miss Center) tomorrow evening at 6:30 PM in the event you would like to attend and contribute your thoughts regarding the organization and content of the 2011 Parks Plan. Please find the agenda attached.

John