

Town of Red Hook Comprehensive Plan - Steering Committee

Meeting Minutes

April 7th, 2026 7:30-9:00pm

Red Hook Town Hall

In Attendance

Committee: Laurie Husted, Dennis Kanuk, Jennifer Mañón, Chuck Mead, Hart Migdal, Sam Phelan, Ben Shute, Julia Solomon (Chair)

Liaisons: Sarah Imboden (Liaison, Village of Tivoli), Melkorka Kjarval (Liaison, Village of Red Hook), Jacob Testa (Liaison, Red Hook Town Board)

Guests: Eric Pierson (Pattern for Progress)

Regrets

Christine Kane, Taun Toay (Liaison, Bard College)

Minutes

Minutes from the March 24th meeting were approved.

Updates

- Christine Kane was appointed to the committee by the Town Board.
- Tricia Reed has resigned from the committee because she is moving out of town.
- Julia and Eric will give an update presentation to the Town Board on April 14.
- Eric is continuing to meet with Town committees to solicit input.
- Eric is working on analyzing and summarizing findings and will send draft visions and goals to the committee by April 14 for review.

Discussion – Spring Events (Workshop #2 and Apple Blossom Day)

The committee discussed goals and logistics for the upcoming workshop and display at Apple Blossom Day. The purposes of the Apple Blossom Day display are to promote the workshop and begin to make the vision and goals visible to the community. The purpose of the workshop is to provide an opportunity for feedback on vision and goals while also inviting ideas about strategies to achieve the goals. Date and location of the workshop are TBD, with the goal of holding it between Apple Blossom Day and Memorial Day. It will be a drop-in style expo-type event held over ~4 hours to maximize accessibility to as many people as possible. The committee discussed pros and cons of various days/times and venues. The committee also discussed possible channels and strategies for promoting the workshop. A digital/survey version of the workshop will be available after the event.

Next Steps

Next meeting: April 28th, 7:30-9:00pm

Topics will include: Discuss draft visions and goals, updates on Apple Blossom Day & Workshop #2