

# LAFAYETTE

## COMPREHENSIVE PLAN



## CONNECTING THE COMMUNITY

### News & Updates from the Supervisor!

Hello LaFayette. I thought that I would pass along an update on a grant focused on the Hamlet's Character, our Comprehensive Plan, and how to leverage water for the Hamlet from the Cardiff water district that is being formed.

The Town was awarded a grant this year and a Tiger Team was formed to complete an analysis with Barton & Loguidice as our consultant and our lead for this effort. A Tiger Team takes its name from the Military: a team that is agile, quick to get the job done, and brings solutions quickly for the decision makers. The goal: complete the task at hand no later than December 31, 2021!

What is the task? To look for near term solutions for the Hamlet's residents and businesses about the traffic in the Hamlet, Hamlet appearances, water – sewer options, better bike trails, sidewalks, and more. Our job is to provide a Crossroads plan to find the resources to improve upon the landscape as well as the livelihood of the Hamlet and the Town. To get it done in the near future; we have waited too long on grants and false hopes of a NYS DOT road improvement plan.

The Comprehensive Plan? Completed in 2012 and it now needs updating to realistically plan for today and tomorrow – the next 20 years. This plan is our guidance and justification to local, state, and federal leaders what our Vision, Goals, and needs are. It is our legitimate message that we don't know what the future may bring, but we do know what We, Our Community, wants Our Crossroads Town to look like; it's Character, Community Spirit, its Livelihood.

The Tiger Team members include: myself, Carole Dwyer (Town Board member), Brad Bush (Planning Board Chairman), Chris Keenan (ZBA Chairwoman), Mark Distler (LaFayette Advisory Conservation Commission-LACC), Kelly Wypych (LACC).

You are invited to our meetings when they are published as Open to the Public to listen to the process, the ideas, and proposals. I will announce on the Town's social media's platforms the date, time, and location. They are generally held at 5 PM on the second Tuesday of the month, just prior to the Town Board meeting.

We first met on April 13<sup>th</sup> for introductions, our roadmap, and our homework! We also had approximately 15 citizens in attendance too.

The Tiger Team will meet again tomorrow at 5 PM however, this will be a closed meeting. We will be building a foundation of "How To's, Must Do's, and Deadlines" for our next 6 months of work. I invite you to reach out to me and I can "fill you in" on the outcomes of tomorrow's meeting.

Thank you for reading this and following our course. I encourage you to send us your thoughts, ideas, and concerns!

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