

Eveleth Comprehensive Plan Update

Organization Meeting Notes
Eveleth Planning Committee
November 13, 2008



Committee Members Present:

Bonnie Edwards (Chair)
Bill Aho
Roberta Palen
Mark Muhich
Connie Sabetti
Shelby Paulson
Jerry Hoel
Margie Koivanen
Matt Hiti

Others Present:

Jackie Monahan-Junek (City Administrator)
Ben VanTassel (ARDC Planner)

1. Welcome and Introductions

The meeting was called to order and VanTassel welcomed the committee and asked everyone to introduce themselves.

2. Public Meeting Review

VanTassel briefly described the public meeting, explaining that the vision statements that were collected at the meeting were recorded and will be used throughout the process to guide the process. The assets and threats that were recorded at the meeting will be used to identify the issues in Eveleth and the document will be based off of these lists. Twenty-three people attended the public meeting.

3. Previous Planning Efforts Review

The Committee briefly reviewed the Previous Planning Review summary document. VanTassel also encouraged the group to read the summary document and also to review the 2000 Comprehensive Plan (copies were distributed).

4. Vision Statement Development

VanTassel presented a draft vision statement. This was a compilation of the input given at the public meeting. The Committee read through the vision and gave their input. One comment was that the vision was too long and detailed and that a simpler statement might be better. After further discussion, the group agreed that a shorter vision would be beneficial. VanTassel stated that he would draft up a shorter version for the Committee to review at the next meeting.

5. Issue Identification

VanTassel then lead the group through a review of the assets and threats that were identified at the public meeting. The Committee was encouraged to identify issues for each asset. A list of issues will be developed for the next meeting and

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recommendations will begin to be made. The group got through the Community Resources and Cultural Resources sections and will finish the issue identification at the next meeting with Housing, Economic Development, and Transportation sections.

6. Next Steps

VanTassel explained that after finishing the Issue Identification the group will begin to develop solutions/recommendations at the next meeting.

The next meeting date was set for December 3rd at 5:30 p.m. at the City Hall.