



Town of Hague 2025 Comprehensive Plan Update

HAGUE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE, GRANT APPLICATION, AND VISITOR/COMMUNITY CENTER COMMITTEE

MEETING SUMMARY: Wednesday, April 16, 2025, 10:30am

IN ATTENDANCE: Pat Hintze, Sally Delarm Rypkema, Josh Patchett, Tracey Clothier, Desiree LaPointe, Member of the public: Lara Smith-Ryder.

1. New committee name:

Josh noted the new name for the Committee (see title above). As required by NYS, the Town Board will appoint Alane Vogel, a member from the Planning Board to the committee.

2. Review survey results and findings:

What stood out to you? What surprised you? What are the main takeaways? Committee members were pleased with the results but need more time to review the findings.

3. Outline format of the first public meeting:

Originally scheduled for May 20th. To reach the sizable seasonal population the meeting will be postponed until early July. A formal presentation is planned followed by an open house and poster session where participants can give community feedback.

4. Grants Status:

- A Municipal Parks & Recreation (MPR) grant for Hague Park recreational improvements including a Performance Stage, Playground, Pedestrian Circulation & Accessibility, Boat Launch, Beach, and Stormwater Improvements will be filed on May 2.
- NY BRICKS Grant for Community Center Improvements including Vault/Storage, Museum, Kitchen Upgrades, and Grounds Master Plan.
- NY Forward Grant: \$4.5million competitive grant program to conduct private and public transformative projects (fall application).
- Warren County Occupancy Tax: Investigate a project that could be funded through this program (September 2025).
- CFA Grants: Refile 2 grants that were unsuccessful in 2024 (July 2025).

5. The committee discussed and elaborated on the potential Opportunities and Projects List.

Town Park Improvements and Projects

- New Welcome Center: consider a custom prefabricated building to bring the cost down.
- Performance Stage: consider relocating to the northeast corner next to the lake. Consider an extension of a 30 foot picnic dock into the lake.
- Destination Playground
- Boat Launch Improvements
- Beach Improvements
- Accessible Pathways
- Stormwater Improvements
- Public Dock Expansion



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Community Center Improvements

- Building Upgrades
- New Museum Wing
- Vault and Records Storage
- Site Master Plan

Natural Resources

- Hague Brook Restoration & Delta Improvements
- Townwide Stormwater Mapping & Retrofit Improvements
- Flood Resiliency Plan

Hamlet Improvements

- Streetscape & Signage Plan
- Car & Trailer Parking Assessment
- Marketing Strategy
- Destination Project Planning

Recreation

- Trail Hub Plan & Map: Add letterboxing and geocaching; update the town trail brochure
- Big Dock Improvements?

Infrastructure

- Highway Garage Upgrades: Cedarwood is assessing improvements
- Transfer Station Improvements

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

- Cross country skiing on Fly Brook Road
- Town-owned land next to the Fire Department could serve as trailer parking
- Wintergreen Lake and 500 acres
- Darrin Property: walking trails, destination playground, parking; Lake George environmental center
- Steamboat Dock: Sidewalk to the beach; consider adding public docks; repair wall south of big dock