

September Comprehensive Plan meeting:

The last meeting was held on September 29th. Attending were Sally Muller, John Lawrence, Alan Steinberg and Mary Jo Long. We discussed the flood and what mitigation and/or planning could be done in our community. We reviewed the way the I-88 exit ramp was built where the flood plain is and the way the water backs up above the bridge on both sides of the Susquehanna. Several homes were severely damaged. We can't do anything about the highway's location, but are there other ways of mitigating?

Half of the attendees had not reviewed the draft of the survey, so we discussed Alan's suggestions about the cover letter, the length of the survey, the cost and how much of it could be done on line and mail to those who would not do the survey on line. I informed the group that I put in a budget item request of \$2,500 for fiscal year 2012. We also discussed whether we need to hire a professional to analyze the data we get from the survey. This would include setting up the survey on line, which makes it cheaper and quicker to analyze the data.

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