

July 20, 2018

Dear Rye Select Board:

Per your request at the July 9, 2018 Select Board meeting, we have produced this outline of the Plan NH application.

To re-iterate, at this point we are only asking that the Select Board confirm you will provide a letter of support after review and hopeful approval of the Plan NH application.

**Rye NH 2018 Plan NH Application Outline:**

On separate pieces of paper the following four questions need to be addressed. These pages, Select Board & Planning Board letters of support, and our implementation & execution plan will make up the application.

***Question 1: How would you describe the community project for which your group or town is asking Plan NH to provide assistance?***

*Please provide any appropriate information about the site's or areas geographical location, limits, and historic significance, current use or unique features.*

*Please indicate who owns or controls the use of the project site or area. How would the project enhance the health and vitality of your community?*

Description: The focus area will be Central Road starting at the Cemetery down Washington to the intersection with Wallis Road. RES, Recreation and the connecting trails are too far from this central area, but information will be made available for PlanNH as reference only.

Buildings to be documented: Old Police Station, Town Hall, Public Safety Building, Rye Congressional Church, Parsonage, Rye Public Library, Old TD Bank Building, Parson's Field, RJH and private property along this road.

Historical Significance: Necessary information will be provided to delineate the historic district area.

Contribution to Health and Vitality: Discussion could ensue about potential uses for Parsonage buildings. Citizens might deliberate whether they appreciate the current spirit of the town center or are looking for more activity.

***Question 2: What changes are occurring in your community that are having an impact on how you think about your future? How could this project address one or more of them?***

Main discussion points can be demographics, building maintenance & use, and investing to meet current and future needs.

***Question 3: Your town has four distinct, yet inextricably-linked sectors: Social, economic, environmental and governance. What vision does your community have for each of these and what kinds of recommendations (for the target area or project) coming from the charrette process could support these visions – as well as the Vision Statement that is in your current Master Plan.***

Social and Environmental: Starting with the Master Plan, these will be addressed. Where we have insufficient visions these will be left as open ended for the Charrette visioning. This area will focus on the town's demographics

and how the town center meets the needs of each demographic group. Demographic perspective should include young families, families with older children, late career families, retirees, snow birds and owners of inherited family homes.

Economic: Rye does not have a strong business or industrial component. The charette process may identify a need for stronger business component in the town center to increase town revenue.

Governance: This will be from the total Rye perspective not limited to town, schools, and districts

***Question 4: Just as the four sectors (above) are interwoven, different sections of your community are also inter-related. Looking at your target area/project, what influences might it have on other parts of town, and how do other parts of town affect this target area? Further, does this target area have any influence or impact on your bordering towns, or do they have any influence or impact on this target area/project or your town in general.***

No impact on bordering towns is anticipated. Examining the town center may impact needs/space use at Rye Recreation and Rye Elementary School.

**Logistics:**

Once the Select Board affirms creating a supporting letter for the application the group of residents below will embark on creating the application.

Victor Azzi	Mae Bradshaw	Sally King
John Loftus	Patti Weathersby	Gregg Mikailoties
Bill Epperson	Karen Oliver	Jacqui Grote
Beverly Giblin	Margaret Honda	Keriann Roman
Tom Pfau	Steven Borne	Paula Tsetslias

Best Regards,

Paula Tsetsilas and Steven Borne