

Montrose Enhancement Plan (MEP)



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Hendrick Hudson Free Library
185 Kings Ferry Road
Montrose, NY 10548



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A G E N D A

Welcome & Introductions by Supervisor Linda Puglisi
Review Meetings of Feb. 11th & April 14th
Staff Reports on Legal, Planning and Engineering Issues
Items Completed from Focus Groups
Short Term Plans & Long Term Plans
Discuss Next Steps
Next Meeting Date
Adjournment

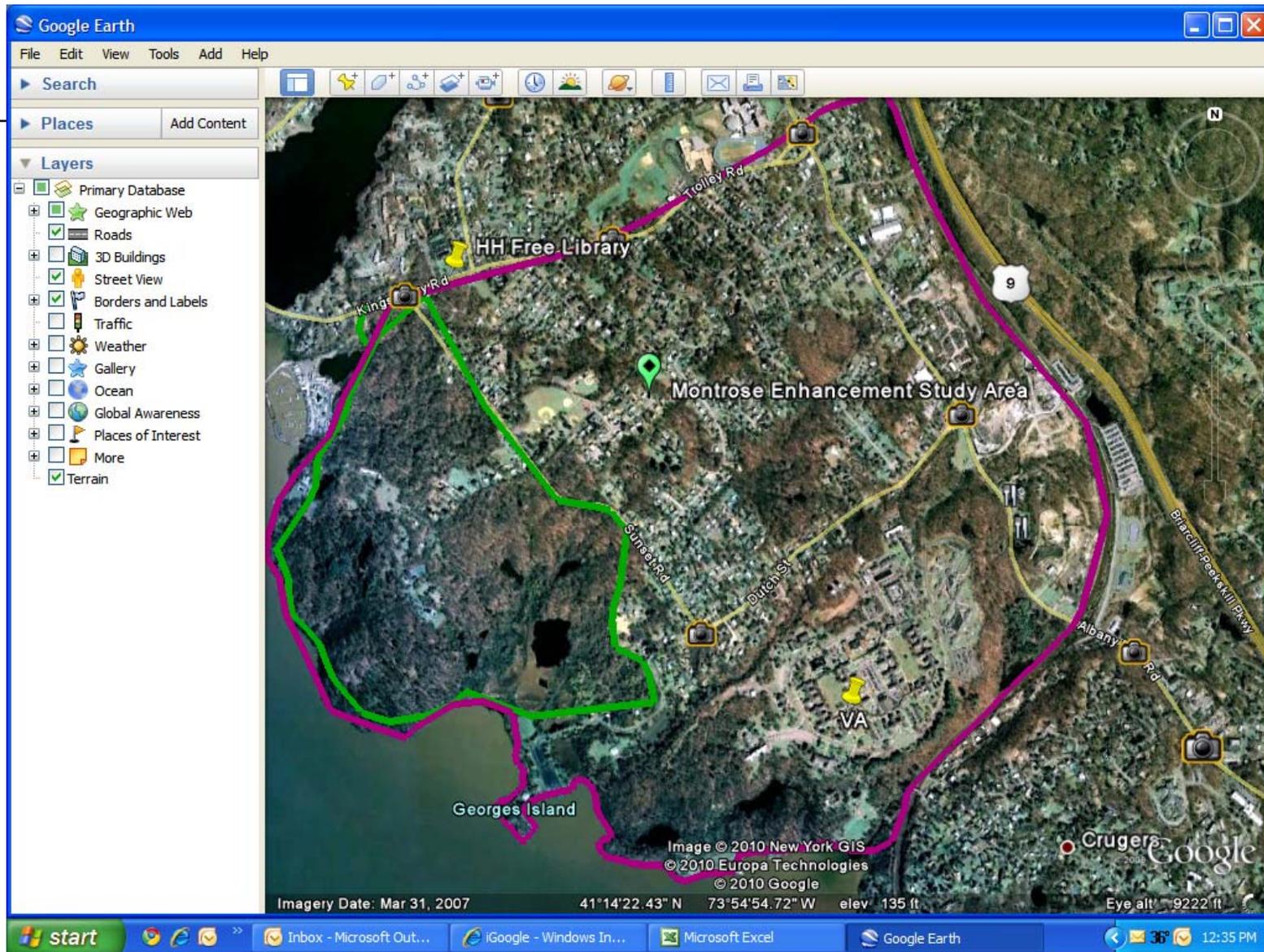


Montrose Enhancement Plan (MEP) Goals

The Purpose of the MEP is to enhance the lovely hamlet of Montrose in the Town of Cortlandt.

- ❖ To identify assets and challenges (Completed 2/11/10)
- ❖ To form an action plan (Completed 4/14/10)
- ❖ To create an implementation timeline (for Short Term and Long Term Projects. (Completed 6/8/10)

Map of General Study Area



MEP Challenges & Concepts



- Support for businesses in tough economic times
- Encourage business owners to enhance landscaping, curb appeal, etc.
- Pedestrian safety, crosswalks, "walk-ability"
- Additional open space opportunities
- Visual impacts to entire area
- Parking Issues
- Enhanced planting areas and awareness of historical sites along Route 9A



Staff Reports

- ❖ Town Attorney Tom Wood & Senior Planner Chris Kehoe to discuss the following:
 - Legal issues including various properties in Montrose/Route 9A.
 - Brookfield Application (before the PB)
 - Moratorium issues

- ❖ Town Engineer Ed Vergano will update on the Montrose Station Road Bridge owned by Metro North.



Major Categories & Sub-Committees & Staff Assignments

1. Infrastructure – sidewalks, pedestrian crosswalks, roads, parking, bridges, drainage, Dutch St. monument.
(Ed Vergano & Rosemary B. Lasher)
2. Business & Economic Enhancement & Re-Use of Buildings and Code Issues.
(Chris Kehoe & Ken Hoch)
3. Aesthetics/Beautification/Parks/Fundraising
(John Palmiotto & Judi Peterson)
4. Security/Loitering Issues
(NYSP & County Police)



MEP 4/14/10 Meeting Items Completed

1. Earth Day Event – Saturday April 17th. Successful community participation. Kick-off was at the Montrose Gazebo
2. Dutch Street Busses eliminated to the County George's Island Park.
3. DES Projects (Highway, Sanitation, Parks). Roundtree Lane picnic table removed, fence removed and a NO dumping sign installed.
4. Began plans for striping on Kings Ferry Road by the Ambulance Corps.
5. Litter Pickup began on Route 9A
6. Smart Machine was placed on Harper Avenue. Contacted police departments to assist with traffic issues: Harper Avenue, Kings Ferry Road, etc.



MEP 4/14/10 Meeting Items Continued

7. Loitering Issues – Police departments were contacted and were present at our 4/14 meeting.
8. Business Signs – began Town Board action to streamline sign processes for small business owners.
9. Legal Reviews have taken place on properties on Route 9A in Montrose (Gas Stations).
10. Change Yield Sign to Stop Sign at intersection of King Ferry Road and Sunset Road – this is on the TB agenda for June 15th.
11. Add New 4 way stop signs at intersection of Montrose Point Road and Sunset – this is being reviewed by staff and referred to the Traffic Safety Committee
12. Town Board public hearings on Moratorium issues to take place in 2010 to protect our neighborhoods.



MEP 2/11/10 Meeting Items Completed

1. Town to lobby NYSDOT for school zone speed limits & crosswalks across Route 9A. (April Town Board agenda)
2. Light at Trolley Road fixed
3. Route 9A Sidewalks from Kings Ferry Road to the VA: Design work begun.
4. Brookfield Site Plan – residents can sign up to get Planning Board agendas via email. Public hearings will begin soon.
5. Contractors Yards and Composting: Moratorium has been extended to June 30, 2010 by the Town Board.
6. George's Island – contact with County Parks department has been initiated.

Long Term Plans: Business / Economic Enhancement

- ❖ Attract more business to the Hamlet: Need community participation to decide what should be attracted here.
- ❖ Banners for Route 9A/Montrose Area/Town of Cortlandt: Linda and John to review options with catalogues and fundraising ideas. Seek volunteers.



Long Term Aesthetics/Beautification/ Community Participation

- ❖ Montrose Community Garden (Volunteers Needed)
- ❖ Veterans Memorial near Dutch Street. Dutch Street Redesign and Monument Moved to VA property

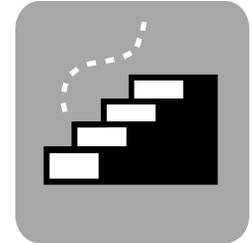


Infrastructure Long Term Goals



- ❖ Striping of Road by Ambulance Corp & Kings Ferry Road (Expected Fall 2010)
- ❖ Route 9A Sidewalks between Kings Ferry Road and VA (Expected 2011)
- ❖ Final repairs to Montrose Station Road Bridge owned by Metro North (Expected 2011)
- ❖ NYSDOT Pedestrian Crosswalks on Route 9A (By 2012)
- ❖ Move Security Kiosk further into VA Property (Future Project)
- ❖ Diamond Interchange on Route 9A/Route 9 (Future Project)

Next Steps



- ❖ Establish a small focus group (max. 4 people – one from each category) to interact with Supervisor Puglisi and administration in the future to address infrastructure, beautification, business/economic and fundraising.
- ❖ Ongoing progress on long term goals.



MEP Next Meeting

Next meeting date: **Tuesday September 28th at 7:00 PM**
at the Hendrick Hudson Free Library





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THANK YOU!