



**Asset Mapping Follow-Up and Planning Meeting
Town Hall, Nackawic, NB
February 20, 2008**

The purpose of the meeting was primarily to follow-up on the Asset Mapping Project carried out in 2007. It was the intention of the facilitator to share information from the report sent to Ottawa at the end of that project and also to give people an opportunity to make action plans based in project results.

Prior to the follow-up meeting, copies of the report were circulated to those who planned to attend, and a meeting between the facilitator and Sue Rickards (NANY) was held. NANY also provided additional copies to be circulated to other folks who had participated in the initial project. The delivery of the reports is on-going.

It was decided that the agenda for the meeting would include the following items:

- A Review of Project Findings
- A Review of the Research on the results of Asset Meetings held around Canada and the US.
- A sharing of information regarding community activities that had taken place since the end of the project
- Action Planning – time to develop activities based on information from the report and needs identified in the interim.
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It was decided that the meeting would include only 12 people. Each of the participants was chosen based on area, interest, background and potential to act. Among those invited was the Deputy Mayor, a local Entrepreneur, a journalist, a dairy farmer, a school teacher, a woods worker, the chair of the Local Service District (LSD), a community activist and two small business owners. All had attended sessions during the original project. Just the day of the meeting, two of those invited phoned to cancel their attendance due to unforeseen situations. Sophie-Michele Cyr, Rick Hutchins and Sue Rickards were also in attendance. Their presence added much to the discussions and to the action planning itself.

During the three hour meeting, participants worked in groups of 2 or 3 to develop a plan of action, something that would make a difference in their communities and something that related to the outcomes of the original project.

Nackawic area: Consult with the Mactaquac Chamber of Commerce and produce a directory of services and business that exist in the town and surrounding areas. (Rowena Simpson and Karen Howell)

Develop a pick-up and delivery service as well as a taxi service in the town and surrounding areas. The service would be coordinated from an already existing business. (Scott Brown)

Dumfries and Prince William area: Develop a flyer to be circulated to roadside and town mailboxes. This flyer would advertise produce that could be purchased from local residents. It would include prices, phone numbers and addresses and contain a map of the area with the buying points marked. (Simon Mitchell and Eugene Hoyt)



Upper Southampton area: Investigate the possibility of having a Meals on Wheels or Meals to Wheels program for the seniors and shut-ins of the area. Use of the underused local Community Hall was listed as a possible headquarters for this undertaking.

(Malcolm Fox)

Maple Ridge, Hawkins Corner and Millville area: Look into the potential for a partnership with area churches to provide seniors with transportation to Woodstock and Fredericton.

Develop a register of all people in the area requiring in-home care. Also create a register of those willing and able to provide care to citizens in their home. Begin the process of having those people become qualified. Create a service that would match the care needs to the care providers. (Sharon Conner, Dean Blaney and Stanley Graham)

A meeting to discuss the plans and the actions taken thus far is planned for April 9th. It will again be held at the Town Office in Nackawic and will begin at 5:30 pm.

Each participant will be invited to ask another person to accompany them to the meeting. They will be encouraged to bring a person they have already involved in their planning. The agenda for the meeting is being worked on at the present time.

Report respectfully submitted by,
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