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Status Report for Nanjemoy Vision Plan Nov 27, 2001

This document is presented to summarize our efforts to date. We need your help. Please add notes and corrections and return so we can have a history and summary of efforts to date. This will be posted at www.nanjemoy.net/vision. You may also post comments at that web site.

Purpose/Goals

Our first goal is to produce a document, a Vision Plan for Nanjemoy Peninsula, 3rd election district, that can guide decision-makers in future land use and planning issues. We seek the support and acceptance for the plan from the Federal, State and County Government planners as the wishes of the stakeholders of Nanjemoy.

A secondary goal is to create a sustainable planning process with community involvement which would include task groups to work on specific projects.

History/Milestones

May 30 or 31st (?). Community Meeting- Over 100 people attended to hear about the possibility of large tracts of land that could be purchased in the Nanjemoy area and how those purchases may effect us. Several presenters gave their vision of the possible use of those lands. Surveys were distributed. Surveys were distributed at Nanjemoy Community Day

June 10th(?) First Community Meeting Over 75 people attended

Initial surveys were tallied as the citizens expressed their vision for Nanjemoy. The responses varied from "leave it alone" to "a fishing village. The 150 responses were tallied which resulted in the formation of 4 subgroups, Economic, Environment, Social, and Recreation. These four groups encompassed all of the needs addressed from the survey. The vision group divided into four subgroups to come up with some action plans and goals for their groups.

June 24th (?) 2nd Community Meeting Over 50 people attended

The participants worked on a vision statement along with a goal statement for their respective groups. Groups began to take ownership with their goal. Outside meetings were planned to continue the work that began in the vision meeting.

July 10th, 7 pm, at the Nanjemoy Community Center. Over 50 people attended the last workshops as we broke into four work groups to address the needs of the area - economic, social, environmental, and recreational. Come, work, and shape Nanjemoy's future!

Tuesday, September 25th, at 7 pm, at the Nanjemoy Community Center Over 35 people attended. The Econ Sub committee presented report this day? Report posted to web at Nanjemoy web site www.nanjemoy.net/vision

A new survey was developed and distributed at Nanjemoy Heritage Day

Tuesday, October 23rd, at 7 pm, at the Nanjemoy Community Center.

Consensus

Most people have agreed that they want Nanjemoy to keep its rural charm. Beyond that, we know there are a lot of issues that will require hard work to produce a document that reflects consensus through compromise. Outside facilitation may be used, if necessary, to bring all stakeholders together to produce a plan that meets the needs of all interested parties.

How we have promoted attendance

Contacted churches

Sent out a newsletter with survey to every address in Nanjemoy

Contacted people- phone-

Displays/outreach at Community Day and Heritage Day

Guest Speaker for groups to explain the vision effort

Email notices/updates to >300 people on mailing list

Networking at conferences

posting on www.nanjemoy.net

Groups represented by attendance at meetings

- Chesapeake Bay Foundation
- Charles County Planning and Growth Management
- Conservancy of Charles County
- Nanjemoy Potomac Environmental Coalition
- Nanjemoy Community Association
- Mt. Hope Nanjemoy Elementary School
- The Ladies Auxiliary of the NVFD
- The Nanjemoy History Writers Project
- Bureau of Land Management
- Maryland DNR
- The Nature Conservancy
- Southern Maryland Audubon Society
- Charles County Tourism Office