

Minutes

Olney Town Center Advisory Committee
Meeting Tuesday March 7, 2006 7:30 p.m.
Buffington Building

Community Planner Khalid Afzal from Parks and Planning chaired the meeting. The purpose was to orient the 12 committee members to the purpose and role of the committee, and to provide some direction about what first steps the committee should take to get established.

The purpose of the committee is to:

- develop an illustrative concept plan for the Olney Town Center
- propose a concept for a town commons/community center
- provide input to the Planning Board on future development proposals within the town center

Committee members were provided copies of correspondences among GOCA, Michael Knapp, Marilyn Praisner, and Derick Berlage on the subject of the role of the committee in the redevelopment process. Here are some highlights.

- The Committee will forward and present its illustrative concept plan to the Planning Board and its staff who should use it as a framework for any future redevelopment of the town center.
- Committee will play an active and ongoing role during the entire life of the Olney Master Plan.
- When considering future town center development approvals and reviews, the Planning Board will give similar and equal weight to the Committee's and planning staff's advisory opinions.
- All applicants for development in town center will be required to have a pre-application meeting with the Committee and enter minutes of that meeting in the records of the official application filed with Parks and Planning.

Future meetings will be first Mondays of the month at 7:30.