

Grand Isle Municipal Town Center Visioning Summary

Planning Commission Discussion 9/5/23

Group 1 Map

- A green located in between the town office and fire station, setback from Hyde Road at a greater depth than the town office and the fire station.
- Various uses surround the green, including the library, a building for fitness, teen and senior activities, a building for community meeting space.
- The concept appears to include a relocated post office.
- It also includes a café.
- There is a gazebo/bandstand and community gardens.
- The wetland area includes a skating pond.
- The town office is retained in its existing location, but with an expansion.
- Parking appears to be located along Hyde Road in between the Town Office and the Fire Station.

Group 2 Map

- A green is located along Hyde Road in between the town office and the fire station.
- There is a pavilion located on the green space where the existing town office is currently located. The wetland area is proposed as a wildlife park with discovery/interpretive trails for birdwatching and with benches.
- A sidewalk accesses the interior of the lot from Hyde Road and passes in between the pavilion and green space.
- Parking is located in the rear of the lot, but it is unclear how it is accessed perhaps to the west of the fire station.
- Behind the green space there are 3 buildings – a library, town office and community center.
- It indicates that the space behind the buildings could be used for “other fun stuff” and a garden.
- It proposes that there is a school path from Hyde Road (near the green space) to the school with a crosswalk on Route 2.
- It proposed connection via trail to the farmer’s market.

Group 3 Map

- This group did not propose a site layout.
- Ideas include walking trails, natural landscape area/community garden, running track, skating pond and electric charging stations.
- Key elements include town office, post office, library, large community center with multiple uses, bandstand and an open space (green?) for farmers market and outdoor events.
- Community center uses included craft classes, senior programs, financial literacy classes, teen/youth programs, health and wellness classes, art classes, yoga.
- Old library proposed for historical society.
- A note to look at Ligonier PA as an example.

Group 4 Map

- A green is located along Hyde Road in between the town office and the fire station.
- The town office is proposed where it is currently with an expansion for additional space and the library added on as an addition.
- A skate pond is located to the east of the town office.
- A pavilion shaded with sail cloth is located on the west side of the green.
- A trail is proposed to circumnavigate around the edge of the property.
- Bird towers are proposed for the wetland area.
- A community garden is proposed that would supply the food shelf.
- Proposed trail connections to the post office and farmer's market.
- The old library is proposed for the historical society and a museum.
- The plan proposes that the town purchase land behind the old library for a town square providing access to route 2 across from the school.

Group 5 Map

- A U-shaped drive is proposed in between the town office and the fire station, with a green located within the U. Lawn games including horseshoe pits, corn hole, croquet and bocce are proposed for this location along with a relocated farmers market.
- Park is proposed to be in between the fire station and the U drive and to the side and rear of the town office.
- A new building is proposed for the south west side of the parcel in an L shape. It would include town offices, community center and the library.
- The existing clerk's office is slated for extra town office space such as for zoning and DRB offices.
- The sizable yard area includes a patio and bandstand with a roof.
- The wetland area is proposed for native pollinator plants and walking/boardwalk paths.

Comprehensive Summary of Uses and Structures: Grand Isle Municipal Town Center Visioning

| Outdoor Uses | Buildings |
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| Town Green (all) | Town Office (all) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build new, demolish old • Build new, retain existing for extra space • Expand existing town office to accommodate additional space needs |
| Lawn Games | |
| Bandstand, Pavilion, Gazebo (all) | |
| Benches | |
| Skating pond | New Library |
| Running, walking track | New Community Center |
| Interpretive trails | Separate buildings for each use type (2) |
| Boardwalks | Combine uses into one building (2) |
| Community gardens | Green along Hyde Road (all except 1) |
| Relocate farmers market | Buildings setback off of Hyde Road. |
| Connections to other amenities, including school, town office and farmers market | Parking located to side or rear (all except 1) |
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