



**City of St. Marys  
Master Plan Steering Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
December 1, 2016**

***Attendees:***

Joe Antao  
William DeLoughy  
Tanya Glazebrook  
Joseph Holler  
Eric Landon  
Ken Lyons  
Fred Mercier  
Elaine Powierski  
Jon Preble  
Michael Rich  
Lee Walker

The meeting was called to order at 3:10 PM after a delay to post a revised meeting place notice at the St. Marys' Visitors Center. A quorum was present.

A motion to approve the minutes from the November 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting was made, seconded, and unanimously approved.

Mike Rich noted that the MPSC made a presentation to the City Council at its retreat on November 15<sup>th</sup>. In addition to identifying a series of projects to be completed within the first years after the new master plan was adopted, a request was made for an appropriation of \$1 Million over three years to assure funding of the necessary expenses involved in completing the initial projects. Joe Antao, along with Tanya Glazebrook, represented the committee at the retreat and provided supplemental information consistent with the identification of the projects and request for initial funding. Courtney Reich presented a more in-depth report on the Committee's and EPG's work over the last year.

It was noted that the purpose for an extended meeting in December was to go through the non-transportation needs and opportunities so that the committee could complete that process for EPG to start the plan drafting process. Control of the meeting was turned over to Ed DiTommaso who then conducted a work session to review of the needs and opportunities table that had been previously distributed to the committee members. The purpose of the review was to edit the draft document that has been distributed and Ed made notes of the proposed modifications on his digital copy of the table. He noted that a revised draft document would be distributed to the committee for comment. Mike noted that a quick turnaround would be required of the committee members once the revised draft was circulated.

The floor was opened for public comment.

Virginia Willis said that new activities were needed for teenagers in the City. She felt that the City needs more public events and that there should be some form of transportation service for sailors at the base who don't have their own means of transportation to get to city activities and shopping. She also stressed that the City needs to bring in new industry and jobs.

Leslie Mary Wells, on behalf of the board of directors of the Orange Hall Foundation, talked about the importance of Orange Hall to the city and said that significant sponsor funding is necessary if Orange Hall is to be preserved. She also noted that Orange Hall is a significant historic building in St. Marys and should be factored into the City's new master plan.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, a motion was made, seconded and passed that the meeting be adjourned at 8:00 PM. The next meeting for the Committee is set for 6:00 PM on Wednesday, January 4, 2017 at 6:00 PM at the Senior Center.