TOWN OF HUNTER, VILLAGE OF TANNERSVILLE, VILLAGE OF HUNTER
SMART GROWTH COMPREHENSIVE PLAN REVIEW COMMITTEE MINUTES
May 19, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

A meeting for the Smart Growth Comprehensive Plan Committee was held on May 19, 2026, at Tannersville Village Hall. It began at 6:00 pm and was presided over by Marc Czermerys.

ATTENDANCE

Town at Large
Marc Czermerys, Co-Chair
David Kukle, Co-Chair
Trent Poole
Sarah Slutzky
Daryl Mercer
Aleksandra Smith
Robert Johnson

Village of Hunter
Paul Slutzky (online)
Harout Dermenjian (online)
Kevin McArdle (online)

Village of Tannersville
George Kelly
Kody Leach

DOS Representative
Gina DaBiere-Gibbs (online)

Planning Consultants
Margaret Irwin
Christina Snyder (online)

Public Participants
Sean Mahoney

AGENDA ITEMS

Survey Subcommittee

- The survey subcommittee will meet this Friday, May 22 to review and shorten the survey to make sure it is user-friendly but addresses the comprehensive range of issues in all three communities. Subcommittee members include:
    - Village of Hunter: Paul Slutzky
    - Village of Tannersville: George Kelly
    - Town of Hunter: Sasha Smith
    - Marc Czermerys, Co-Chair
    - Margaret Irwin, River Street

Website

- Next Step Digital has built out a website for the community dedicated to the comprehensive planning process. It is ready to launch at www.plan.townofhunterny.gov.

DOS Smart Growth Form & Training

- Smart Growth Assessment Form and Training from DOS – Just a reminder DOS would like Committee members to fill out the form with what they envision for the community as well as take the Smart Growth training. The presentation will be shared with links to the form and the training.

SWOT Analysis

- The SWOT Analysis has been compiled based on the conversation at last month's meeting. Committee members should review the draft in the presentation and identify anything missing or share additional input.

Housing Analysis

- The Housing Market Assessment is an additional component funded by the DEC Smart Growth award and has been developed by Liz Kormos with Kormos and Co. Margaret briefly reviewed the entire report to familiarize the committee with the extensive range of topics addressed in the assessment. Committee members can take the next month to read through and bring questions and comments to the next meeting. Liz will also present the assessment in the June meeting. Please see presentation for details and full analysis.

- **Report data:** There was discussion about margin of error in data and data from different years and sources (Census, American Community Survey, and ESRI). Committee members would like to see more information about the basis for the data, how it was derived, definitions for terms, and what conclusions can be drawn. Some Committee Members may want to see raw data – if it can be made available. Liz will be able to share conclusions and greater detail at the June meeting.

NEXT MEETING

Next Committee Meeting is set for: June 16, 2026, from 6:00-7:30 pm at Tannersville Village Offices. Liz Kormos will be invited to attend a future meeting to discuss the Housing Report in greater detail.

Prior to next meeting:

- Review **Smart Growth Assessment** from DOS and answer those questions. Send to Marc, River Street or bring to next meeting.
- Take the **Smart Growth Training** online.
- Review **SWOT** and share any additional feedback on the draft.
- Review **Housing report** prior to the next meeting and show up with any questions. **Committee members to make a list of any questions they have prior to the next meeting so that Liz Kormos can address ahead of time as well as be prepared to address any issues and questions.**
- **Survey** subcommittee will review draft survey and make recommendations. Revised survey will be circulated to the entire Committee.
- **Website** will be launched www.plan.townofhunterny.gov.