

Checklist of Non-zoning and Non-Subdivision Recommendations from 2010 Comprehensive Plan

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Goal 1. Agriculture and Open Space: Encourage farming and the rural, small town, scenic character of Ancram by promoting the profitability and productivity of our town's current farms, attracting new farming ventures, protecting farmland, and preserving open space and important scenic views.					
1.1	Adopt right to farm law	✓			
1.2	Develop and adopt Agriculture and Farmland Protection Plan	✓			
1.8	Appoint Agricultural Advisory Committee	✓			
1.9	Develop program and support purchase or lease of development rights (easements)			✓	Town encourages ag easements, but no formal program to support purchase, lease or transfer of development rights not developed
1.10	Review and update Ag District 1 with County			✓	This gets done with County every 8 years.
Goal 2. Environment: Develop policies and programs to protect groundwater, watersheds, streams, wetlands, woodlands, ridgelines and wildlife habitats. Protect clean air and "dark skies," and encourage the use of alternative energy sources.					
2.24	Establish a local Type I list for SEQRA purposes			✓	
2.9	Appoint an advisory Environmental Conservation Committee	✓			The CAC
2.8	Evaluate use of solar and wind systems for town facilities	✓			This update may result in tweaks to policy and programs
2.16	Review existing scenic resources protection plan			✓	Some of this was addressed in establishment of the ridgeline overlay

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2.2	Conduct further water studies as recommended, implement the public education recommendations included in the Groundwater Protection Plan report, and encourage environmentally sound agricultural "best practices" as recommended by the NY State Department of Agriculture and Markets.			✓	
Goal 3. Community Character: Promote a strong sense of community through communication, an open exchange of information and building consensus on important decisions facing the Town. Actively support volunteer activities and community efforts to preserve the town's historic places and landscapes.					
3.1 3.3	Establish email, newsletter, bulletin board communication methods and expand web site capabilities	✓			
3.2	Establish annual or semi-annual town meeting day with public		✓		
3.4	Enhance participation in decision making	✓			
3.5 3.9	Inventory historic resources and add this to the computer database of information on the town		✓		Mostly done
3.6	Consider establishing incentives for historic preservation, and consider accepting historic easements after careful evaluation of its impact		✓		Mostly done
3.10	Continue to provide financial support to encourage volunteer activities	✓			
3.11	Update and implement town's ethical conduct law and establish an ethical	✓			

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	conduct committee				
3.12	Establish new gateway/welcome signs		✓		Almost done – signs have been approved
Goal 4. Community Services: Provide community services and recreational facilities and opportunities to meet the needs of all age groups.					
4.1	Appoint task force to identify community service needs and develop community services plan		✓		Mostly done
4.2	Develop and implement a recreational services plan		✓		Not done to the formal degree indicated by the Comp Plan, though pieces of the land use regulations were inserted in anticipation of this
4.3	Create process to ensure the town has an updated Emergency Preparedness Plan		✓		
4.4	Establish process to gain input from emergency services and Highway Superintendent during development review processes	✓			Included in zoning updates
4.5	Establish a per lot recreation fee for new lots in major subdivisions	✓			Included in zoning updates
Goal 5. Town Infrastructure: Maintain adequate and appropriate Town buildings, roads, signs, traffic control and bridges, scaled to meet the needs of a small, rural community. Improve the information systems and management processes supporting all town departments.					
5.1	Establish a Financial Analysis Advisory Committee to assist Town related to capital needs	✓			
5.2	Develop five-year Capital Improvement Plan and update it annually	✓			

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5.3	Ensure other government agencies consider this Plan when undertaking capital projects	✓			
5.4	Study and share municipal services with neighboring communities and County	✓			
5.5	Future consideration of waste treatment in hamlets should be comprehensive and consider economic alternatives		✓		In concept, done, e.g. Gerry Fultz's research and application to Simons Store
5.6	Establish a Highway Advisory Committee	✓			
5.7	Update highway construction standards	✓			Done in highway standards law
5.8	Establish policy on acceptance of new roads	✓			
5.12	Establish policies related to roadside tree and vegetation management	✓			Done by town policy and as per highway standards law
5.13	Work with County and State to improve traffic safety in hamlets	✓			Done and continuing
Goal 6. Town Centers: Enhance the appearance and safety of the hamlets, with Ancram the top priority. Provide for safe roads, crossings, intersections and traffic flows, and control heavy truck traffic.					
6.1	Implement Community Development Block Grant recommendations related to hamlet revitalization and involve community stakeholders		✓		ongoing
6.2 6.7 8.15	Seek additional grant funding Apply annually to CDBG for funding			✓	
6.10	Improve the 7/82 and 8/3/82 intersections		✓		Initiated, somewhat done, on-going
6.11	Consider enacting highway/truck noise restrictions		✓		Partially initiated, somewhat done, on-going

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Goal 7. Economic Development: Encourage home-based businesses, small retail businesses, and other economic activities consistent with our rural, small town character, supported by reliable telecommunications services.					
7.1	Establish economic development committee to implement economic related strategies		✓		
7.3	Create incentives to attract appropriate businesses			✓	
7.4	Enhance telecommunications infrastructure		✓		Initiated, partially done, on-going
7.5 to 7.7	Promote local businesses on the town web site and in the Town newsletter, etc., Stimulate the construction and building trades and expansion of jobs	✓			
7.14	Develop alternatives to deal with expansion or cutbacks in the Ancram Mill			✓	
9. General Recommendations for all Goals					
9.1 9.2	Appoint a Zoning Revisions committee, Review and update to ensure consistency between the local regulations and NYS laws related to administration and procedures.	✓			
9.3	Establish annual zoning law review procedures to ensure the law stays current		✓		Should be on-going
9.6 to 9.8	Establish fee schedules and update fines and penalties	✓			
9.9	Retain services of a grant writer as needed	✓			Should be on-going

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9.11	Enhance ZEO code enforcement capability	✓			Done as part of zoning law update
9.13	Expand use of the GIS tools to be used in all town departments	✓			Should be on-going
9.14 9.17	Manage and track progress of plan implementation; review and revise the Comp Plan as necessary at least every five years		✓		This update is implementation of this strategy
9.15	Establish procedural and process guidelines for town appointed committees and task forces		✓		
9.18	Consider appointing Property Assessment Review Committee to work with Tax Assessor		✓		
9.21	Develop written guidelines for applications to building department and for PB, ZBA permits and reviews	✓			