

**WEST POINT TOWN COUNCIL
RIVERWALK SITE VISIT
June 3, 2008**

West Point Town Council conducted a site visit to the proposed Riverwalk location commencing at 13th Street and Lee Street.

Members Present: Charles Gordon, Wayne Healy, Jack Lawson and Gail Nichols.

Also Present: Trent Funkhouser, Town Manager and Karen M. Barrow, Town Clerk.

Mr. Dennis Norman and other area residents invited Town Council members present to review the plat and walk the proposed relocation of the 13th Street East West alley between Lee Street and F Street and the current 13th Street location at the creek. Mr. Norman also reviewed the location of the parking lot.

Mr. Funkhouser advised the relocation of 13th Street and the parking lot will be revised on the current plans.

Mr. Gordon asked Mr. Funkhouser if eighteen feet is the width for an alley or Street.

Mr. Funkhouser advised he would have to review the plans submitted by Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. (VHB) to see what the width of the alley should be.

Mr. Dennis Norman advised he has concerns with the following items: 1) Mr. Norman objects to the closing of the current 13th Street alley that is in daily use by the residents in the area. 2) The construction of the bridge over the creek and the construction of a boardwalk. 3) The paving of the alley from 13th Street down to 5th Street. 4) The increase of traffic on the alley will be an open invitation to crime. 5) The refuse removal on 13th Street. Mr. Norman also stated that he feels the Town is willing to assist John Crowder prosper and not willing to assist the Town residents in the area.

Mr. Bobby Wilson advised he currently uses 13th to access his driveway, if 13th Street is closed he would lose the access to he home and that he objects to the construction of a bridge across the creek and the construction of a boardwalk. Mr. Wilson advised he has a concern with the safety of the public crossing the bridge.

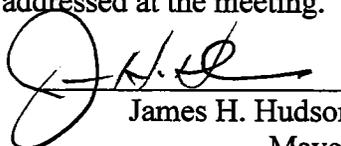
The site visit was extended down 13th Street to the creek and F Street.

Mr. Rodrick Wilson advised he has concerns with the access to the 13th Street fire hydrant and the route the fire trucks would have to take to drop the water hose if 13th Street is closed. The fire hydrant on 12th Street is a dead end hydrant without much pressure.

Mr. Bobby Wilson advised that he uses 13th Street to access his house and if it is closed for a boardwalk he would lose access to his house, and he has a concern with the maintenance of Riverwalk and the alley.

Franklin Roberts advised that the area is a peaceful quite neighborhood and that the proposed Riverwalk will disturb the peacefulness of the area with unknown members of the public walking through the neighborhood that would increase crime.

Mr. Funkhouser advised Riverwalk is on the Community Development Committee agenda for Monday, June 9th at 5 pm, all of these concerns and comments can be addressed at the meeting.


James H. Hudson
Mayor

ATTEST:


Karen M. Barrow
Town Clerk