



THE CEDAR BLUFF
TOWN MEETING II

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE LAST YEAR

THE GREAT YEAR OF WATER FROM BENEATH AND ABOVE or
"SHOWERS OF BLESSINGS"

New water system
Started the Community Club
Roof on the Community Center, raised funds by:
 Womanless Wedding
 Dues from the Community Club
 Received donations
 Used volunteer labor
New tennis court
Boy-Scouts started
New Baptist Church
New gas tank for Community Center
New heaters (2) " " "
10-12 new families move in

HOPES FOR THE NEXT 5 YEARS

A sewer system
Basketball court
Road paved to Starkville
A store
A gym or health spa
2 main streets in Cedar Bluff paved
Continued renovation of the Community Center
Larger, more active community Club
Summer Festival

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THE CHALLENGES

In the arena of SEWER SYSTEM, the following blocks exist: lack of money, it is new idea, have not got started on it. This indicates that the underlying challenge is to get someone to take the initiative.

In the arena of RECREATION; the following blocks exist: not enough interest, lack of money, lack of land. This indicates that the underlying challenge is to get enough members to support it..

In the arena of STREETS AND ROADS, the following blocks exist: lack of effort by responsible people. This indicates that the underlying challenge is to draw up a petition and get organized, then meet with the county supervisor. This is illustrated by the holes in the road, floors across the road and damaged cars due to the condition of the streets and road.

In the arena of COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES, the following blocks exist: there are not enough active members of the Community Club, we need lumber and a septic tank until the sewer system is in, the Festival is not planned. This indicates that the underlying challenge is to get people to come out and help and get each family involved.

In the arena of a STORE IN CEDAR BLUFF, the following blocks exist: too sparsely populated, takes finances, most people work in larger towns and do their shopping there. This indicates that the underlying challenge is to get people to shop ant home and get someone to start a store. This is illustrated by the fact that people shop where they work, and two families have tried to have a store, but finally it did not work out for them.

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THE PROPOSALS

WORKING WITH THE COUNTY

We, the citizens of Cedar Bluff, in order to accomplish the goals of getting the roads paved and setting up a fire department, propose to draw up a petition and explain why these are important to our area, and invite the County Supervisor to a committee meeting to present him with these, through appointing a committee through the Community Club, go door to door for the petition and use the churches.

COMMUNITY CENTER IMPROVEMENT

In order to have a comfortable meeting place and bring community together and involve it in the County, propose to patch the windows and door, rework the Center signs, through starting work with civic clubs in West Point, finding new sources of materials, and fund raising through events.

SEWER SYSTEM PROCESS

In order to upgrade our town for health and economic reasons, we propose to have the Community Club appoint a committee to work on the sewer system, through contact Mr. Rosencrans of Clay Co. Chamber of Commerce, the Golden Triangle PDD office and The Research and Development Center in Jackson, (Eric Brown, phone 928-6277).

MORE ACTIVE COMMUNITY CLUB MEMBERS

In order to involve more people in community activities, build community spirit and get county involvement, we propose to do an event, get speakers to get folks here and later ask them to be on committees and give them specific duties, through organizing a monthly program for the whole year at the next meeting, and form on-going committees.

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