Hopeful signs

Orange official preparations for political change.

Growing locally

Orange goes for the green

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ORANGE — As a teenager in the 1960s, Brian Enslow was one of hundreds of Orange Revolution volunteers spending afternoons and weekends door-knocking for the cause. He now is a developer of bike paths and parks to attract new businesses and residents to town.

But when the grants funding the project dried up, volunteers dwindled to a handful, and Enslow was forced to abandon many of their plans.

The old mill buildings the group worked to revitalize, such as the historic Ethan Allen Inn, were sold and demolished.

Now, as president of ORC, Enslow gathered a new group to create a plan for Orange.

Call it a few years later to meet two new groups, the former Orange Historical Society and the bicycle path advocacy group.

What started as a request for proposals in 2005, in which any group could submit a proposal, was a success, with proposals submitted by the Orange Historical Society and the bike group.

The final plan, which calls for a bike path along the river, includes a bike path along the river.

Paddling upstream

Outdoor adventure company Peak Expedition is opening a new office in Orange, with plans to offer guided tours and other outdoor activities to residents.

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