



Barrington Community Profile Steering Committee Meeting

**Thursday, November 14, 2013
7:00 pm – 8:30 pm
Elementary School Annex
572 Calef Highway
Barrington, NH**

Meeting Minutes

Introductions

Roll Call:

Jim Farnham
Anne Melvin
John Huckins
Sam Boduch
Elizabeth Rivet
Ron St. Jean
Marika Wilde
Dawn Hatch
Laura Williford
Anna Kovalcik
Marcia Gasses

Community Profile Video: This is what a Community Profile looks like!

Unfortunately the video was not played due to technical difficulties. Members were encouraged to visit UNH Cooperative Extension's website to view the video.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

The first and second meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

Areas of Focus for Community Profile

Six Components:

Civic Infrastructure

1. Effective Community Leadership

Community Infrastructure

2. Fostering Healthy Families, Individuals and Youth and Lifelong Learning
3. Community Services, Facilities, Utilities and Transportation
4. Sense of Community and Recreation and Cultural Heritage

Environment

5. Working Landscape and the Natural Environment

Economy

6. Economic Vitality and Growth and Development

Members identified the following areas of the community that are not currently represented on the Steering Committee:

- Youth
- Taxpayers Association
- Land Conservation
- School Community

Molly discussed and passed around previous Community Profile Reports to expose members to some of the potential benefits and outcomes of a Community Profile. Molly explained that the majority of communities that have already done a Community Profile have found an increase number of people participating in local-decision making and public participation as well as new leaders emerging in the community. Some communities have seen tangible outcomes as well, such as building a bridge or building a community garden.

Molly answered questions regarding the schedule and process of the two-day profile event.

The Steering Committee – responsible for organizing and planning the two-day profile event

Memorandum of Understanding

Molly, Marcia and Barrington's planning board chairperson have all signed MOU.

Civil Rights Information

Subcommittee Roles and Responsibilities

Responsibilities of the Chairperson

John Huckins was voted unanimously as the Chairperson for the Steering Committee

Meeting schedule

Steering Committee will meet Thursday evenings on the second and fourth week of every month.

Major Dates:**Community Profile**

Committee members were urged to continue brainstorming a time and place for the two-day Community Profile event. Town events/meetings and school vacations need to be considered when setting the date for the event. A date should be established by the next meeting.

Small Group Discussion Leader Training

No date was finalized.

Other Business

Next Steering Committee meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, December 12, 2013. Meeting minutes for the third meeting will be approved next meeting.

Eric will send out a mass email to the committee that contains the following items:

- Flyer
- Website address to Community Profile examples
- List of all committee members along with their email addresses for contact purposes

Next Meeting:

Subcommittee tasks and assignments
Select Community Profile date
Select location
Select small group discussion leader training date
Plan for outreach and publicity

