# Master Plan Meeting Minutes January 21, 2016

Approved minutes from January 7, 2016 meeting

Ryan made the house keeping edits were made to the graphs on the presentation to the BOS to reflect a response of "1" as the lowest possible average value, instead of "0".

Gail forwarded the revised presentation and the written comments from all surveys to Caren Rossi.

Discussed correspondence received since the last meeting:

Received January 13, 2016 from Erick Sawtelle:

FYI, I think and would like to suggest that this would be a good approach for Lee at this point since the process/progress of the development of the Master Plan is considerably behind the eight ball. I don't expect that the Ag Com will be able to meet the Feb. 1. deadline with any kind of a significant (or acceptable) product so we will have to ask for a considerable extension.,

#### Erick

(Erick included the following correspondence with someone from Boscawen and suggested that we might consider Boscawen's approach:

----Original Message-----

From: bcrawford or eclow <hcea2007@yahoo.com>

To: plan-link <plan-link@maillist2.nh.gov> Sent: Wed, Jan 13, 2016 12:14 pm

Subject: [Plan-link] Ma\$ter Plan Co\$t\$

A few years ago, we appropriated +- \$10K to update our Master Plan. We didn't spend much of it, because one the consultants we interviewed suggested we make a rolling document, instead of scurrying around with everyone working toward a deadline, creating a document which would be put on the shelf, never to be seen again for 10 years, until we do it all over again.

The way we're doing it, we add chapters as they come available. Our AG Com created a great Agricultural Chapter, other chapters are put together from studies done on someone else's nickel, like traffic counts and things like

that. Some things we have to pay for, but for the most part, doing it this way is much less painful, all the way around, and a chapter or two is updated or added each year.

Also, if circumstances change, updates can be made as seems appropriate.

**Bruce Crawford** 

Chairman

Boscawen Planning Board

Gail ran into Erick in town and he expressed the same concern. Gail invited him to come to our meeting (tonight's meeting).

### Our discussion included:

We appreciate Erick's concern. We are on schedule. Members of Ag Commission attended three of our meetings and had the survey results prior to our presentation to the BOS. We wonder if they think they need to give us more information than we requested. We encourage them to stay with the information requested on the template.

The suggested approach might be a good one to consider for a future Master Plan. We are too far along in the process to change now. We think that our process reflects our town and our residents' thoughts and input.

We will send an email response to Erick.

Bill Hume from Conservation Commission had emailed saying their input would come a couple of days late and asked if that was okay. Lou Ann responded to him that it would be fine.

Gail visited with Phyllis White and went to a joint meeting between the Historical Society and the Heritage Commission and re-presented information to them and requested their input for the historical perspective for the Master Plan.

They had suggestions for the focus be centered around Lee Hill and include the use of the houses as inns and discuss the stage coach line. They also suggested including more recent history of Lee. We need to include:

- The Hobo Shed
- The number of schools (7 total)

Gail asked if there was new information that we should include. They suggested information on the Underground Railroad in Lee.

Gail thinks they know their role in developing the Master Plan.

Ed suggested that we use past information that has been written, and we will synthesize all information to write the historical section of Lee.

Suggestion of having pictures of houses and landmarks from the past and include these with video of the same locations today, as live links in the Master Plan.

Discussed plan for writing the Plan.

Went through the proposed chapters and began to identify possible figures, tables, and graphs that might be helpful to include.

### Our Town

- Historical perspective
  - Old town maps, low aerial maps with buildings
- Community character
  - Local pictures of the town today. There are many pictures available by residents, church, Caren. Include farms, the school, the traffic circle, waterways (Lamprey River), Little River Park, Town Hall, Safety Complex, fair day, holiday tree.
  - Gail will ask Gloria Quigley if she would like to select pictures for us.
- Vision
  - We will write this section at the end after we have input from all DCC. No figures needed.

### **❖** Natural resources

Suggest that maps go in an appendix and if we want to focus in on something, we might zoom in and put pic in the body of the document.

- Water resources (rivers, streams)
  - Map of rivers, acquifers (from SRPC)
- Lakes, ponds (from SRPC)
- o Ground water & wells (map from SRPC)
- Wetlands (picture of a wetland (Bog Pond) and map of Lee wetlands)
- Animal life (corridors for certain animal life)
- o Plant life (Gail will talk with Don Quigley about plants in Lee)

## Land use

- Agriculture
- Conservation
  - Graph of how much land (%) is in conservation. Overlay maps.
- Residential
  - Graphs of housing changes

- o Commercial
  - Graphs of business changes

## Transportation

- o Roads
- o Bike paths
- Walking paths
  - Map of walking paths in town forest
- **Community resources** (may be more pictures and graphs)
  - Parks
  - o Recreation
    - Map of walking paths in town forest
  - o Library
  - Meeting spaces
  - o Safety: Police & Fire
  - o Mast Way School