

Master Plan Meeting Minutes February 4, 2016

Present: Gail Smith, Lou Ann Griswold.

Absent: Ed Bannister, Ryan Crosbie

Comments from the public:

Annie Gasowski, from the Library,

Erick Sawtelle from the Agriculture Commission and

Chuck Cox from the Energy Committee each let us know that input would be coming from their respective organizations.

Reviewed written information submitted from departments, committees, and commissions to date: Conservation Commission, Police Department, and Highway Department.

Conservation Commission:

- Very thorough and well-written document.

Highway: (Gail will email Randy)

- We would like him to suggest action items for the last two goals.
- Responses on the survey suggested walking paths and bike paths. We wondered what the Highway Department might suggest for either or both of these for town owned roads. We questioned if we can add a shoulder for bikes on the State roads. Perhaps working with Police Department on these issues would be helpful.

Police: (Lou Ann to email Tom)

- We realized that there were only 3 goals on our template. We don't want to limit departments to three. We noticed that all of the PD goals were "to continue...." Does the Police Department have other ideas as to future ideas or new initiatives? We wondered what new ideas you might have for educational activities. We also wondered about developing bike and walking paths in Lee. These were suggested on the resident survey. We suggested this idea to the Highway Department who might also consider these paths but we think that there is a safety component to bike lanes and walking paths and therefore might be an area for you to be part of as well. Perhaps you and Randy can discuss the paths.

Photos: Gail brought in photos from Gloria Quigley for us to consider using.

Possible discussions for upcoming meetings—subject to change

Feb 18: Start outlining sections and divide writing responsibilities & plan meeting with Strafford Regional Planning

March 3 Natural resources (Con Comm) & Land Use (Agriculture, Planning Board)

March 17 Transportation (Highway) & Community Resources (Police, Fire,

March 31 Energy & Land Use

April 7 Library & Parks & Recreation & Mast Way School

April 21 Our Town section (historical & Vision)

Question regarding where the Energy discussion should go?

Energy goes in many areas and affects the town building and could be part of the discussion on conservation?

Could be included in Community Resources section as energy is used in our town buildings and meeting spaces and residential and commercial buildings. We will determine the answer after we see the information they submit to us.

Gail will talk with the principal of Mast Way and see if she would like to write something about the school in Lee for our Master Plan. Perhaps if the principal would like to ask a teacher who also lives in Lee write something. We recognize that the school is part of a larger district and is not part of the Town. However, Mast Way School is an important building in Lee and provides a meeting place and we share a field for sports and events. We do not think that they should necessarily write goals and action items. Gail suggested that the school information might be included in the Community character section.

Continued work on the chapters:

- **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, and 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, aquifers (from SRPC)
- Lakes, ponds (from SRPC)
- 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)
- 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
 - Commercial
 - Graphs of business changes
- **Transportation**
 - Roads
 - Bike paths
 - Walking paths
 - Map of walking paths in town forest
- **Community resources** (may be more pictures and graphs)
 - Parks
 - Recreation
 - Map of walking paths in town forest
 - Library
 - Meeting spaces & town resources
 - Safety: Police & Fire
 - Mast Way School