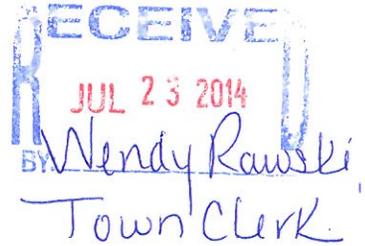


Comp Plan Implementation Committee



MINUTES – June 11, 2014 (rescheduled from June 5th)

Present: Grant Hirst, Jessica O'Donoghue, Russ McMullen, Vickie Mills, Jack Murphy (BOS liaison)

Absent: Stephen Beckert, Noah Lemire (both excused)

By invitation: Dana Lee, Town Manager

Public: Robert Pomerleau

Meeting starting at 5:00

The Energy Commission and Comp Plan Implementation Committee meetings overlapped. As outlined in the 2009 Comprehensive Plan, the Energy commission continues to "encourage increased municipal energy conservation and improved usage of energy resources". Recent efforts include monitoring power usage at schools and researching the use of action sensors for lights. The solar project is generating a savings.

Dana was asked to outline what he sees as the town manager's role regarding implementation of the comp plan. Dana has offered to provide background information and attend meetings as requested. His advice to the committee is to identify and prioritize what needs to happen first and how. He suggested setting timeframes for specific groups to accomplish tasks. Dana offered to facilitate a meeting with the responsible board/committee chairs.

Discussion: current building permit formula – disagreement that the mathematic formula would ever equal zero. Dana to look at what the town's options are.

It appears that some of the actions set forth in the comp plan are conflicting and/or dependent upon certain criteria happening first. There is a concern that the priorities of the citizens have changed since the plan was voted on. The committee is looking at how to get citizen input when there is no money for a current survey. Remembering that the comp plan is a guideline, some items may need to be reworked to coincide with the needs and interests of the community. The overview/narrative of the comp plan gives insight into what the original group was thinking and hoping to accomplish.

During public comment, Mr. Pomerleau suggested that the committee may want to seek public opinion once priorities are set. He feels there is no need to exert efforts where there is no community support.

Minutes from May meeting were approved as written.

Time of meeting is to remain first Thursday of the month at 4:45 for now. Next meeting is July 3rd.

Respectfully submitted

Vickie Mills
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Acting Chair

Date Approved: 7/3/14