

Hancock Comprehensive Plan Committee Meeting
Minutes 6/06/24

approved
8/1/24

Committee Members Present: Doug Kimmel, Ruth Franzius, Rod Franzius, Ant Blasi, Chris Holmes, Renee Duncan, Brett Ciccotelli
Community Members: Ken Emerson, David Wildes, Steve Fernald, Ellen O'Meara

Minutes from 5/2 were unanimously approved barring the deletion of an inaccurate sentence about from whom the committee was given a proposal. It was from Ben Smith.

The committee members voted to request a bid from Noel Musson for consultation on a comprehensive plan. The motion was approved unanimously.

Ruth and Doug met with Noel Musson yesterday. He has worked on many comprehensive plans, including one 240-page one currently for Belfast. The group is busy through the end of the calendar year and gave a rough estimate that a "soup-to-nuts" comprehensive plan is \$80,000.

Instead of seeking consultation on a complete comprehensive plan, we will request a proposal for al a carte support of the following:

- Professional feedback on the draft survey
- Providing GIS maps to use for focus group meetings as well as background on what questions are useful to ask
- Preparation of a workbook including the information needed about Hancock
(The committee would write the narrative with provided research findings and data)

Committee members did not feel that HCPC's proposal was specific to the needs of Hancock.

Beginning with Habitat will likely provide and print maps of Hancock for planning work. Brett will reach out to state to get maps. They will be helpful for visioning sessions to indicate where Hancock boundaries are.

Comp plan representatives will table at the July 4th parade. Set up at 11:30am and wrap up by 1pm. We would also like to have someone at the memorial park event. There was a suggestion to reach out to the Ellsworth American to let folks know about the fire department fundraiser, the brass concert, and the comp plan initiative. Doug will reach to the Ellsworth American.

The remainder of the meeting was spent reviewing and editing the survey.

We added a meeting on June 24th at 6pm in the town hall to continue on the survey. We would like to spend more time thinking about incentives for folks to attend visioning meetings.

Adjourned at 7:55pm.