

Town of Hancock Comprehensive Planning Committee

Regular meeting March 6, 2025

Attendance: Doug Kimmel, Mary Turner, Chris Holmes, Patricia Kontur, Renee Duncan, Brett Ciccotelli

- 1) Mailing was completed with 1543 sent; so far 155 responses received; 68% year-round
 - Chris will send reminder via Fire Department Facebook
 - Doug will send reminder to local churches
 - Renee will contact school & PTO to encourage responses and put on Facebook
 - Mary & Doug will enter paper copies into online survey together
 - Flyers have been posted
 - Total cost was \$345 for postage and \$864 for printing
 - Doug will have Town put survey notice on the front page of its Website
- 2) Discussion of possible new Focus Groups
 - West Hancock Fire House
 - School; Renee will explore possibility
 - Town Hall
 - Topical meetings suggested with experts for discussion
 - Housing
 - Recycling
- 3) Review of Recommendations of 1992 Comp Plan
 - A. Revise demographic information every 5 years by Comp Plan Committee – Not done
 - B-1 Participate in State & Regional Economic Business Programs – Not done
 - B-2 Land use ordinances to allow commercial growth – Commercial zone created
 - C-1 Study issues related to manufactured housing & parks – Mobile Home Ordinance passed
 - C-2 Pursue a Community Development Block Grant to improve existing substandard housing – Not done
 - D. Road maintenance and write a Road Maintenance Program – Not done
 - F-1 Parking at wharf – Not enough land available
 - F-3 Feasibility of public boat facility in Hancock – No action
 - F-4 Outdoor recreation plan for Town – No plan
 - G-1 Maine management plan – Harbormaster, Shellfish (Clam) Ordinance passed
 - H-1 Mapping and study of Hancock water resources – Updated mapping
 - H-2 Build salt and sand storage shed – Done
 - H-3 Shoreland septic system checking/correction [CEO done?]
 - H-4 Inspect floor drains in existing buildings over aquifer [CEO done?]
 - H-5 Coordinate watershed protection program ??
 - H-6 Create Aquifer Overlay Protection Zone – Done
 - H-5 Watershed protection program – Friends of Taunton Bay only
 - I-1 Identify & map areas for critical areas/national heritage program [Hancock Historical

Society (HHS) done?]

- I-2 Resource Protection zoning – Done
- I-3 Encourage educational activities of critical natural resources – Hancock Grammar School with Crabtree Neck Land Trust & Frenchman Bay Conservancy
- J-1 Encourage participation in Tree growth and Farm and Open Space Tax Law Program ?
- J-2 Encourage appropriate Forestry and agriculture practices & incorporate into Town Ordinances – Done: Appendix D of ECO
- K-1 Encourage educational activities about historic and archeological resources – HHS?
- K-2 Encourage HHS to conduct inventories of historic and archeological resources ??
- K-3 Consider ordinance about alteration of buildings and structures of historical significance – Not done
- L-1 Prepare and maintain official Land Use Map – Done
- L-2 Revise ordinances to implement official land use map – Done
- M. Prepare, maintain, and update 5-year Capital Improvement Program ??
- Regional coordination to address issues of interlocal significance ??
- Capital Investment Plan: consider enacting an Impact Fee Ordinance to help finance capital improvements directly attributable to the developments such as fire equipment and school space – Not done?

4) **Next meeting:** April 3, 2025 to discuss Survey and Focus Group plans

Minutes prepared by D.Kimmel