

Comprehensive Planning Committee Meeting
April 6, 2026
Hancock Town Office – 6:00

Attendees: Doug Kimmel, Chris Holmes, Ant Blasi, Patricia Kontur, Mary Turner, Matt Williams

The focus of this meeting was on land use, both present and future. Matt provided a list of questions to help establish town values and issues of concern to assist in drafting the vision statement for Hancock. The questions addressed visioning and values and future land use. We referenced results of the survey of town residents and visioning sessions that were held and talked about various issues that had been raised.

The State of Maine recent legislation is designed to encourage smaller lot sizes and cluster housing, including town houses and triplexes. Water and septic systems play a big role since Hancock does not have public facilities. After looking at maps and discussing possible areas for proposed growth, we concluded that the Washington Junction Road would be the best site. Next month Matt will bring detailed maps of that area so we can look more closely. There is definitely a housing shortage in Hancock but we also need to consider where there are possible areas for commercial and/or industrial growth.

Pedestrian safety in the Village section of town was also talked about. What can be done along that section of Route 1?

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, May 7th at 6:00 and we will continue to discuss this topic of land use and also finalize the goals and recommendations for some other sections of the Plan.