



Comprehensive Plan Committee Meeting Minutes
Meeting #3
Tuesday, June 8th, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.
Meeting Held at the Bristol Consolidated School Gymnasium

Committee Members Present: Alfred Ajami, James Barnes, Alex Beaudet, Thomas Bishop, Rebecca Cooper, Robert Davidson, James Doherty, Richard Francis, Brittany Gill, RoseAnn Holladay, Patricia Jennings, Kenneth Kortemeier, Leon MacCorkle, Jason Sewall, and Jessica Yates

Committee Members Absent: Paul DiMauro, Peter Fischer, and Dan Sullivan

Also present: Chad Hanna (Selectboard Chair), Kristine Poland (Selectboard), Jessica Westhaver (Treasurer), Lara Decker (Parks Director), Jennifer Ribeiro (BCS Principal), and Michael Melville

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Doherty made a motion to approve the minutes from May 11, seconded by Francis and passed, 15-0.

Opening Matters –

Ajami shared with the committee the resignation of John Stolecki, though he would remain available for involvement when necessary to help with his area of expertise. Interest from other individuals to serve on the committee had been expressed, but there was uncertainty whether Stolecki's seat would need to be filled at this time. The Selectboard will discuss at their next meeting on June 16th.

Planning Process –

The main focus of the meeting was to discuss the process of subcommittees. First the committee broke out into 4 groups to initiate a conversation, "Think-Pair-Share", on where each individual wants Bristol to be in 10 to 20 years. Everyone was encouraged to share their personal views. The results were:

- Natural Resource Management
- Housing
 - Affordable Housing for Families
 - Overdevelopment Concerns (also hindering natural resources)
- Diversity and Inclusion
- Maintain Current Rural Character of Bristol
 - Current natural beauty
 - Undeveloped areas

- Increased Recreation Opportunities
 - Trails
 - Safe biking
 - Waterfront access
- Education & Creating Diverse Options of Learning (outdoor options)
- Increased Community Engagement
- Opportunity for Young Incoming Families (Employment and Housing)
- Opportunity for Retirees
- Possible Conservation Committee

Each member was assigned two or three subcommittees based on their individual requests. Collection of information will be the biggest part of the process and subcommittees would not need a quorum in order to function. Each subcommittee were tasked to accomplish the following by the next meeting:

- Initial meeting
- Appoint a chair
- Develop a vision statement for the area covered
- Compile a list of required items and actions to be taken (these will help establish questions for the public survey)

Sample vision statements were shared with each member for review and direction in creating the subcommittee vision statements. Concerns were shared from some members as to the time commitment with serving on numerous subcommittees. Hopefully, each subcommittee will be able to meet at least once before the next meeting and return with ideas.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06pm.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, July 13th at the school gymnasium.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Westhaver