

Natural Resources, Agriculture, Forestry, Subcommittee Meeting #1 - Minutes

6/30/21, 7:00 p.m. @ New Harbor Fire Station

Attendance:

X	Alex Beaudet		Dan Sullivan
X	Peter Fischer	X	Jess Yates
X	Leon McCorkle		

Agenda Item	Notes
Appoint a Chair.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alex Beaudet will serve as Chair.
Establish a regular meeting schedule.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Next meeting TBD after the July 13 Full Committee meeting.
Identify Issues/ Create problem statements.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Concerns re: the ineffectiveness of the last Comprehensive Plan.• Oversight is lacking regarding the water quality in the Pemaquid River and other bodies of water..• Shoreland Zoning ordinance - Needs to be revisited• Wetlands - lack of ordinances to protect• Need for possible Conservation Committee or environmental oversight for projects.• Need to balance development w/ conservation• Need to develop understanding of land use ordinances/environmental guidelines at local and state level• Conservation of farms or forest lands? Land for Maine's Future• Water resources - decreasing due to changing weather patterns• Access to water:<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Changing ownership will affect this• Identify current inventory of resources/lands and identify ways to add to it responsibly.• Climate change impact on natural resources.• Consider marine resources - how to manage sustainably.• How to preserve "viewsapes" like the view from the top of Hunter's Hill?
Draft and submit questions to Committee Leadership for inclusion into the Comprehensive Plan Survey.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Is water quality important to you?• Do you feel the Town needs to expand the amount of land conserved for the public?• Rank the following in order of importance:<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Land conservation for public use◦ Water quality:<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Drinking water■ River, streams, and lakes◦ Marine resource conservation◦ Preserving viewsapes◦ Supporting traditional agricultural and forestry industries◦ Water resource preservation◦ Maintain wildlife habitat• Do you want to maintain a healthy intertidal zone to support

	multiple uses?
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