

Meeting of the Hallowell Comprehensive Planning Committee  
6pm Thursday, February 27, 2020  
Hallowell City Fire Department, Coos Lane

Committee Members Present: Maureen Aucoin, John Bastey, Matt Cary, Deb Fahy (secretary), Julie Horn, Marcia Gallagher, Andrew Landry (chair), Jeff Levine (consultant), Matthew Radasch and Matt Scease.

Members of the Public Present: Ryan Gordon

1. Introductions

2. Housekeeping

The committee revisited the protocol for sharing ideas and feedback.

The best method (for those who are comfortable with it and able to do so) is to upload documents or start a new document in Dropbox under the relevant section we are working on each month in the "Committee Feedback on Elements" folder, located here:

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/dx0mg1ajrdm1rlh/AAAY8LGpiTqQGnDCOEYOY2vUna?dl=0>

Committee members who are having trouble accessing Dropbox should email their comments and documents to Nate Rudy and Drew Landry.

Jeff will email out all relevant documents and a link to the folder we are working on before each meeting.

3. Public Comment - (not discussed)

4. Outreach Since Last Meeting

Rosemary reported via email "I have briefed the **Hallowell Conservation Commission** (HCC) on our existing current conditions schedule. But since the Existing Land Use draft was distributed after the HCC Feb meeting, HCC will review at the March 16 monthly meeting and provide comments back to the Comp Planning Group. HCC does have concerns about OP and RP zoning around perceived open space and resource protections. HCC may also submit at least one further study item."

Ryan Gordon reported that he attended the Friends of the Kennebec Rail Trail meeting (including members from Augusta which is currently finishing up their own comp plan) and updated them on Hallowell's Comp Plan work to date.

5. Old Business- (none discussed)

6. New Business

- a. Review of land Use Draft Section - Most of the meeting was spent going over Jeff's new draft Land Use section page by page, with lots of good feedback, suggestions and insights. Jeff will be doing further work searching out more statistics and up to date datasets. Next month's meeting will include a followup on the Land Use section.
- b. Review of Draft Short Questionnaire for Public Feedback - deferred to March meeting.

**Action Items:** For meeting on March 19th

1. Upload any further notes, ideas and any relevant documents relating to the Land Use section to the relevant folder in Dropbox by the week before the meeting or email them to Nate Rudy & Drew Landry.
2. Brainstorm taglines descriptive of downtown Hallowell to replace “Little City with Big Shoulders”
3. Review Jeff’s draft 1 page questionnaire and bring your comments and suggestions for discussion.

7. Other Items/Adjournment

The next meeting is 6pm Thursday, March 19th at the Hallowell Fire Department. Meetings take place monthly on the 3rd Thursday.

Respectfully submitted by Deb Fahy, Secretary

File location (along with other February meeting materials)

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