

Notes from

January 18, 2017

Comprehensive Plan Update Committee

To Do List

Sandra: work with Beth Thomas, Historian re: Bristol History

Justin & Carla work on maps & narrative

Justin Demographics

Kris & Justin Planning Process

All: work on section 1-1 & 1-2 background and update to fit new document

All: Bristol Secret's –What do you think makes Bristol unique

Choose date for February meeting 2/23 or 2/27 at 6:45

Present: Ron Smith, Cat Cohen, Justin Steinbach, Sandra Riker, Donna Beretta, Joann Rogers and Bob Green

Excused: Kris Monzel, David Parsons, Carla Jordan, Liz Smith

Notes: The notes of December 14th were sent via email to all members to review and comments requested by January 25th to the Secretary so they can be published on the webpage.

On January 18, 2017 Kris Monzel sent out an email to all members saying she would be stepping down as Co-Chair because of personal business. However, she would like to remain on the Committee has a member. Justin will continue to be the Group Leader.

Supervisor Green asked Justin if he thought it would be possible to have a draft of the updated plan for the Planning Board to review by July. It might be doable if we continue to work at a steady forward pace, this draft may only include sections 1-3.

Vision Statement: **Preserve and encourage** a clean, naturally beautiful, rural environment with **carefully** planned commercial development, aesthetically pleasing, **controlled** residential growth, and increased recreational opportunities, while encouraging the preservation of agricultural lands.

Justin asked the group to look at the present statement and decide if it is good the way it stands or does it need to be updated to reflect where we are now and where we see the Town of Bristol in the future. It was suggested the first words Preserve and Encourage should be separated and approached separately, and the words carefully and controlled do not reflect our new path of encouraging economic growth to provide the Town with a sustainable future. He asked the group to each write a version of what this statement should say and send it to him for to draft a new statement based on the groups thoughts.

Re-Review of proposed table of contents with concentration Section 1-3

- Section 1-1
- and 1-2 of current plan will be reviewed by all members and update keeping in mind using a format of Policy Area (Goals) > Objectives > Action Items/Implementation. (See Carla's spreadsheet for reference.)
- Section 2-1 Secretary will reach out to Beth Thomas, Town Historian to write this section.
- Section 3-2 was discussed with thought to 4 policy areas:
 - Natural Resources
 - Sustainable Economy (it is being suggested that the title should just be Economy.)
 - Community Resources
 - Quality of Life-(possible change for this title).

Topics to fit under the above areas are: Agriculture, Parks & Recreation, Transportation, Infrastructure, Housing, Conservation & Open Space, Community Character, Growth Management, Economic Development, Tourism,

Cultural, Social, Historic Preservation, Energy, Health & Human Services, Civic Participation, Town Gov't. Efficiency, Marketing Bristol, and Municipal Cooperation

Format for policy/goal areas-The Group present this evening worked on the above Policy areas and how to place the topics within them. This will help set up work groups to develop the updated plan. Many of the topics will overlap into more than one area and the goal is to make sure they are compatible in all areas. (See attached Revised Section 3.0.)

February meeting-There is a conflict of scheduling within the group present so it was suggested that we either meet on Thursday February 23rd or Monday February 27th. The members need to respond to Justin with their availability for the two dates. Meeting site is yet to be determined. A new meeting time is being proposed to accommodate participation of all to be established as meeting at 6:45 pm and adjourning at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Riker

Note taker for Comprehensive Plan Update Committee

3.2 Policy Areas

A. Natural Resources

Topics: Agriculture, Parks & Recreation, conservation & open space, Tourism.
Cultural & Social, Energy

B. Sustainable Economy

Topics: Agriculture, Transportation, Infrastructure, housing, conservation & open space, Growth Management, Economic Development, Tourism, Energy, Marketing Bristol (ties in with Tourism), municipal cooperation

C. Community Resources

Topics: Parks & Recreation, transportation, conservation & open space, Cultural & Social, Health & human services, civic participation , town government, municipal cooperation

D. Quality of Life

Topics: Infrastructure , housing, conservation & open space, Community Character, Cultural & Social, Energy, health & human services, civic participation

E. Special Focus Area(s)

Route 64- this should be addressed at a later time , fund development should come under implementation section of document

Topics				
Agriculture	Parks & Rec	Transportation & Infrastructure	Housing	Conservation & Open Space
Community Character	Growth Management	Economic Development	Tourism	Cultural, Social, Historic Preserv.
Energy	Health & Human Services	Civic Participation & Community	Town Gov't Efficiency	Fund Development
Marketing Bristol	<i>Municipal Cooperation</i>			