

Appleton Comprehensive Plan Committee

20 May 2019 / 7:04 pM / LIBRARY MEETING ROOM

Attendees

Diane Schivera, Sid Quarrier, Susan Sherman, Don Mansius, Wendy Thatcher-Hall, Donovan Bowley, Lorie Costigan

First Item

Review Minutes from 4-29-19

1. Motion By Susan; Seconded by Donovan
2. Brief discussion regarding the importance of following procedures for motions made by committee members.
3. Brief discussion regarding the length of meetings. Importance of staying on track for an 8:30 adjournment.

Second Item

Review Survey Questions by Survey Committee

1. Subtle modifications to the first eight survey questions; i.e. adding additional options for multiple choice; modify verbage for clarity;
2. Question 5 needs to be more specific; review ordinances that have been passed by and how they may/may not relate to survey questions; i.e. Question 9 regarding trailer parks when Appleton now has a trailer park ordinance.
3. Pause at question 10 to continue with Agenda

Third Item

1. Review State Habitat Map for Appleton: Primary Map 1 - Water Resources and Riparian Habitats; Map shows Wetland Inventory, Riparian Habitat - 250' around rivers, great ponds, wetlands greater than 10 acres, and 75' around smaller streams.
2. Review State Habitat Map for Appleton: Primary Map 2 - High Value Plant and Animal Habitats; Map indicates areas potential deer winter areas, rare or threatened wildlife

habitats, rare or exemplary plants, Atlantic White Cedar Bog, and significant inland wading bird and waterfowl habitat.

3. Review Undeveloped Habitat Map - Shows areas of development within Appleton and how large land blocks are connected or separated, shows municipal conservation lands (Appleton Community Forests), Private Conservation (Nature Conservancy, Georges River Land Trust, Coastal Mountain Land Trust, Medomak River Land Trust, Etc.), and Conservation Easements.
4. Review of Supplementary Map - Shows Natural Resource Co-Occurrence; a map summarizing the importance values of the three previous maps into one using color to demonstrate an areas sensitivity/importance for natural habitat. Appleton Bog, Pettingill Swamp, Witcher (?) Swamp are land based focus ares; Georges River and associated ponds are second focus areas.

(The above notes are summarized from the Map presentation and handout provided by Sid Quarrier.)

Fourth Item

1. Brief review of State of Maine data Format - Introduction, Historic and Archeological Resources, Water Resources, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Forestry, Marine Resources, Population and Demographics, Economy, Housing, Recreation, Transportation, Public Facilities, Fiscal Capacity and Capital Investment, Existing Land Use.

Fifth Item

1. Review of existing Comprehensive Plan Section 2 - History
2. Discussion about History of how Appleton was established; historic buildings in Appleton and the possibility of adding any to the existing list.
3. Discrepancies in existing plan regarding General Knox and his connection to Appleton.
4. Most of what is in this section was carried over from the original Comprehensive Plan done in 1990's. Donovan Bowley (a historical society member) to review and edit based on his knowledge and general research of Appleton's establishment and history.

Next Meeting Date to be Monday June 24, 2019 at 7pm in the Library

Meeting Adjourned 8:30