

Comprehensive Plan Committee

Meeting Minutes

Date: 1/14/26

Time: 6:01 PM

Attendees: Allison, Jan, Bill, Buddy, Jason, Mike, Peggy chaired with Yvette as staff

Notetaker: Mike

Approval of Minutes: December meeting minutes approved, unanimously

Agenda adjustments: none

Staff updates: Yvette announced the Town has a job posting with the Bowdoin College summer intern program that could yield 1-2 interns for the 2026 summer, followed by discussion of how to employ (eg-assist with mapping, surveys, committee support, office duties)

Discussion, items:

a. Tree Committee

- Jan reported that the Committee met the previous week, members discussed CPC's request to expand their proposed Plan with respect to need, detail, resources, etc.; and were assigned various components of revised Plan for review in February meeting.
- Yvette brought up the question of timing, for approval by CPC and possible eventual inclusion in this year's warrant.
- Jan wondered whether the Tree Committee Plan might be integrated into the Open Space Plan.

b. Wildlife Habitat and Forests Maps

- Members presented and described sample maps from various towns as assigned, followed by review and discussion of maps presented, including:
 - Comment that the maps contained in our Comprehensive Plan are fine but too small.
 - "Overlay" vs multiple single printed maps
- Agreement that the following characteristics should be prioritized:
 - Easy to read, identify elements
 - Bold/contrasting colors

- Endangered species identified
- Major roads labeled
- Yvette will reconnect with IF&W with a tentative/evolving list of elements to be incorporated (including wildlife, habitat, etc.).

Future agenda items

- Tree Committee
- Habitat maps from Readfield & Scarborough

Adjourned: 7:36 PM