

Comprehensive Planning Committee

July 9, 2024

Attending: Dave Asmussen, chair; Yvette Meunier, staff; Dayea Shim, Grow Smart Maine; Laura Arnold; Jason Lamareau; Jan Marks; Buddy Schott; Peggy Christian; Bill Stanton via zoom and Judy Colby-George presenter from Viewshed Maine.

Minutes were approved with a few minor revisions.

Yvette reported that the Resiliency Survey for the state that we completed last year will need updating.

Judy Colby-George consultant from Viewshed Maine gave a PowerPoint presentation on CommunityViz planning software and how it could help us in developing land use ordinances and in understanding their impact by being able to visualize the outcomes. The software can be very detailed or simply give an overview. The cost can range from around \$5,000 to over \$70,000 depending on the specificities. We have \$6,000. In our budget.

We worked on the Priority Survey to gain input from the community on what the committee's focus should be now that the Comp Plan has been approved. The survey will be on-line and in the upcoming Bowdoinham News.

Celebrate Bowdoinham is September 14th. At our next meeting we will complete plans for our informative table.

A future meeting will be a joint meeting with the Community Development Action Committee (CDAC) to strategize a timeline for work.

A letter to MaineDOT in support of BikePed Grant Application to extend sidewalks along Post Rd from Main St to Cemetery Rd. was reviewed. Laura moved and Buddy seconded a motion to approve and send the letter. The motion passed unanimously.

Recorded: Peggy Christian