

TOWN OF LAKEVILLE
Master Plan Implementation Committee
Meeting Minutes
January 9, 2024 – 6:00 PM
Police Station Meeting Room
323 Bedford Street

On January 9, 2024, the Master Plan Implementation Committee held a meeting at 6:00 PM at the Lakeville Police Station Meeting Room. The Master Plan Implementation Committee Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairman Rodney Dixon. Members present: Chairman Rodney Dixon, Denise Barbuto (*arrived at 6:10 PM*), Joseph Chamberlain, Rita Garbitt, Patrick Marshall and Ari Sky – Town Administrator. Absent: Jack Lynch.

The Meeting was recorded and broadcast by LakeCAM.

Chairman Dixon asked those in attendance to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

REVIEW AND APPROVE MEETING MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 21, 2023

Chairman Dixon asks the members if they have reviewed the November 21, 2023, Meeting Minutes. There were no changes noted.

Upon motion made by Member R. Garbitt and seconded by Member J. Chamberlain, the Master Plan Implementation Committee voted to approve the November 21, 2023, Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion Carries. 3-0-1 (*Member P. Marshall abstained.*)

MEET WITH THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION TO REVIEW THEIR PRIORITIES AND GOALS ON THE MASTER PLAN IMPLEMENTATION CHART UPDATED ON JUNE 20, 2023

Conservation Commission Members Present were Bob Bouchard, Chairman, Nancy Yeatts, Joe Chamberlain, Mark Knox and John Leblanc. Conservation Commission Member N. Yeatts spoke about Strategy 6-1-1: Hire a Full-Time Conservation Agent to help identify and protect important areas in Lakeville. She explained that the Commission agreed that they do not need a full-time Agent but would instead benefit from a part-time Land Protections Specialist. It was noted that the Open Space committee has been tasked with identifying the list of priority lands in Town.

At 6:10 PM Master Plan Implementation Committee Member D. Barbuto stepped onto the Committee.

There was discussion on the Open Space and Recreation Plan that was last updated in 2013 and if the new Plan has been submitted. A. Sky indicated that the new plan was submitted at least one month ago. There was a brief discussion on archeologic protections and how they are site specific depending on the findings. It was noted that archeological findings don't necessarily stop development and that it depends on the site. Some sites end up fully protected and sometimes items are removed and placed in a museum and construction continues.

Conservation Commission Member N. Yeatts spoke about how the Commission's job is to enforce the Wetlands Protection Act and try to save any surrounding land that is going to impact the wetlands. There was a brief discussion on taking Town Meeting action to implement the adoption of a Wetlands Protection Bylaw that mirrors DEP's language.

There was reference to the merging of the Town Historical Commission and the Historical Society. There was a discussion on the Natural and Cultural Resource Strategy. There was discussion on the Transfer of Development Rights and how the Planning Board indicated that they will not be pursuing that at this time. There were a few minor edits to the Master Plan discussed.

Master Plan Implementation Committee Chair, R. Dixon thanked the members of the Conservation Commission for attending the discussion.

DISCUSS MEETING WITH ANOTHER BOARD, COMMITTEE OR COMMISSION

The Committee discussed the next groups that they would like to meet with. The Historical Commission and the Open Space Committee are considered. The Committee agrees that the next meeting will be with the Historical Commission.

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

The Committee discussed the next meeting date of Tuesday, February 13, 2024, at 6:00 PM at the Police Station.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE MEETING

Master Plan Implementation Committee Chair R. Dixon thanked Ari Sky for his services to the Town and wished him good luck on his future endeavors.

There was a brief discussion on the Lakeville Hospital property and the 40B housing presentation that was made.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion made by Member R. Garbitt and seconded by Member J. Chamberlain, the Committee voted unanimously to adjourn at 6:48 PM.

Approved March 19, 2024