

TOWN OF LAKEVILLE
Board of Selectmen Joint Meeting w/
Master Plan Implementation Committee
Meeting Minutes
August 9, 2021 – 6:30 PM
REMOTE LOCATION

On August 9, 2021, the Master Plan Implementation Committee held a meeting at 6:30 PM remotely from various locations. The Master Plan Implementation Committee Meeting was called to order at 6:31 PM by Chairman Rodney Dixon. Chairman Dixon acknowledged the Master Plan Implementation Committee Members present : Chairman Dixon, James Rogers, Joseph Chamberlain, Rita Garbitt, Jack Lynch, Patrick Marshal and Town Administrator Ari Sky.

In accordance with the Governor’s Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c.30A, §20, relating to the 2020 novel Coronavirus outbreak emergency, the August 9, 2021 public meeting of the **Master Plan Implementation Committee** shall be physically closed to the public to avoid group congregation. **However, to view this meeting in progress, please go to [facebook.com/lakecam](https://www.facebook.com/lakecam) (you do not need a Facebook account to view the meeting). This meeting will be recorded and available to be viewed at a later date at <http://www.lakecam.tv/>**

Chairman Lea Fabian called to order the Lakeville Board of Selectmen’s Meeting. Selectmen present: Selectman Leah Fabian, Selectman Richard LaCamera and Selectman Lorraine Carboni.

Chairman Rodney Dixon, Master Plan Implementation Committee, explained the purpose of the meeting is to discuss the Master Plan Implementation Matrix and any other business that needs to come before the Committee. Chairman Dixon noted that the Committee appreciates this opportunity to meet with the Board to review the Master Plan Implementation timeline, which the Committee has referred to as “the Matrix.” Chairman Dixon asks if there are any questions on the Matrix.

Chairman L. Fabian, Board of Selectmen, referenced some questions the Board has on the Matrix regarding responsibility, as well as, wording of the Town Coordinator position that is no longer a position in Town. It is hoped that the Master Plan Implementation Committee will be able to make changes to the Matrix in time for the August 18th Master Plan Implementation Committee for a final review, so it can be distributed to the appropriate Boards, Committees and Commissions so everyone has in their hands what needs to be done.

Chairman L. Fabian and Town Administrator Ari Sky, both speak on the upcoming hiring of a Town Planner and the Assistant to the Town Administrator. They will be responsible for some of these items. A. Sky requested additional time to get their hiring done and then come back to the designation of items so everything on the Matrix can be updated at once. There is discussion on the Master Plan Implementation Committee coming back to the Board of

Selectmen at one of their last meetings in August to update designations of items that need to be updated in the Matrix.

Chairman Rodney Dixon asked if there are any further questions on the Matrix. Selectman LaCamera indicated that he would like to address some of the other issues. He references the Adoption of the Open Space Residential Design By-Law, and he noted that this was drafted four (4) years ago and was under the responsibility of the Planning Board. He noted that the Planning Board should have a discussion on it and what they want to do with it, where so much time has passed.

Selectman LaCamera spoke about economic growth priorities and the need to figure out where to put commercial, business and industrial development. This matter has been open for a period of time and may require a discussion with the Board of Selectmen, the Planning Board and the Master Plan Implementation Committee. He doesn't want to see these issues linger, and he does not want to wait another entire month to make any progress on them. There is also discussion on the Economic Development Committee and the appointed Selectperson of L. Carboni. It is noted that the Economic and Development Committee has not met in a very long time, and there is a question as to whether their "Charge" needs to be updated and changed. Chairman L. Fabian noted that the Board did just receive a resignation from the Economic Development Committee. There is at least one (1) vacancy to fill. There is a list, available on the Town website which shows all of the openings on the various Committees, Commissions and Boards.

Selectman LaCamera spoke about the Agricultural Commission, which is appointed by the Board. He noted they have not met in a very long time, so their items will need to be addressed. He also noted that the Historical Commission has now received funding from Town Meeting for both of their items. They will need to be followed up on to get their studies completed. Selectman LaCamera also referenced the CPA and the Open Space Committee and the number of items they have to address.

Chairman Dixon asked if it is possible to have the Master Plan on the Board of Selectmen's Meeting Agenda on a monthly basis so that these items can continue to be discussed and addressed on a regular basis.

Member J. Lynch spoke about the Planning Board's Agenda and noted that they regularly review the Master Plan, so he can relay items of concern to the Planning Board at the next meeting. Selectman LaCamera re-reviews the items. Chairman R. Dixon provided some additional feedback using the Walgreens building as a reference. The building was almost complete, and it didn't fit in the residential area. The comment was made to the Construction Supervisor it was too bad it couldn't be fixed to fit in with the area. The Supervisor indicated if it had been discussed sooner, they did have other options of building facades they could have presented.

Chairman Fabian suggested that the Master Plan Implementation Committee hold another workshop on this with the Boards, Committees and Commissions involved, so they can work towards getting the items done.

Member R. Garbitt confirms that nothing is going to change on the Master Plan Implementation Matrix at this point, until the Chairman meets with the Town Administrator. A. Sky confirms this. A. Sky also confirms that the Board of Selectmen did appoint him to the Master Plan Implementation Committee, and he is now an official Member.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion made by Member P. Marshall and seconded by Member J. Rogers, the Master Plan Implementation Committee vote to adjourn at 6:57 PM. Polled vote: Rodney Dixon - Aye, Joe Chamberlain - Aye, Rita Garbitt – Aye, Patrick Marshall - Aye, James Rogers – Aye, Jack Lynch – Aye, and Ari Sky - Aye