

MASTER PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE.

TOWN OF CARLISLE, MA 01741.

MINUTES OF MEETING 3/24/2022

ZOOM VIRTUAL MEETING

Meeting Started 7.12pm

Author: Debbie Bentley

Attendees (all members): Jack Troast, Debbie Bentley, Christina Christodouloupous , Bob Zogg, Barney Arnold, Kate Reid

Not Present: John Ballentine, Kerry Kissinger, Nancy Shohet West, Mary Lynn Bohn, Janne Corneil

0: Discussion on comments on the draft Masterplan

Barrett Planning will amend the draft Master Plan comments based on the feedback from the MPSC. These include comments on Draft Master Plan from Town Committees and private residents.

1: Community Center/ Spaces.

1:1 Recommendation 7A and 7B

The Committee agrees to keep the two recommendations as written with some clarification on the decision in the comments section.

Noted in the Discussion: Planning Board member, Sara Smith suggested that the requirements for the community spaces/ need for a community center should be reassessed post pandemic.

The Library is in the midst of an interior redesign.

1:2 : Additional Recommendation

It was agreed that the suggestion from the Cultural Council for an additional 3F Recommendation should be included with the following amendments.

3F. Support the use and/or improvement of indoor and outdoor facilities that support the arts & culture community in Carlisle, reflecting existing and future needs for performances, lectures and art exhibits.

2.0 Additional Staff

2:1 Recommendation 4A. It was agreed to update the text as follows;

4A. Provide staff capacity to facilitate coordinated long-range planning efforts and if required hire a Town Planner or similar position.

2:2 Recommendation 15A Discussion included : Should this Recommendation be amended to reflect the recent hire of a sustainability coordinator, (part time)? The costs have has been covered in a grant.

It was agreed to update the text as follows;

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15A Provide staff capacity to facilitate and support coordinated environmental stewardship and sustainability efforts.

2:3 Recommendation 20 E :Keep text as is.

2:4 Remove references to “proposed staff” as a responsible party in 20B, 20C, 20D, 20E as well as 4B, 4C, 7B, 15D, 15F, 15G, 15H, 16A, 16B, 16C, 19C

3.0 Zoning:

3: 1 Recommendation 19A. Encourage sustainable residential development principles by reviewing and updating use of Conservation Cluster and/or Residential Open Space bylaws in conjunction with Recommendations 20B and 20C.

It was agreed to amend the description to omit the reference to Mass Audubon. Kate Reid to send the revised text to Alexis Lanzillotta at Barrett Planning

3:2 Recommendation 20B. It was agreed to alter the text to:

Recommendation 20B. Explore strategies to promote housing diversity and allow development of “missing middle” housing in specified areas.

Kate Reid to send revised descriptive text to Alexis Lanzillotta to include the Planning Committees feedback.

3:3 Recommendation 20C. Explore regulatory and policy changes to promote housing affordability.

Kate Reid to send revised descriptive text to Alexis Lanzillotta to include the Planning Committees feedback.

4.0 Sustainability:

4:1 Recommendation 19 D : It was agreed that Debbie Bentley and Christina Christodoulopous would draft a new policy regarding sustainable development of tree removal, cut and fill, and doubling up of long driveways into pork chop lots for the committee to consider.

4:2 Recommendation 18 A: Evaluate possible Town well sites and create a zoning overlay that protects the watersheds around them.

Kate Reid to work with Alexis Lanzillotta to clarify the descriptive text.

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4:3 Land Stewardship comments: The Select board are responsible for the name of the new environmental sustainability committee. The responsibilities could be split between the Land Stewardship Committee and the new committee, and their recommendations can be included in the implementation.

Bob and Christina to respond to the LSC via the chair.

4:4 Recommendation 15D

Amend the text as follows

Recommendation 15D. Develop a detailed implementation plan for achieving carbon reduction goals and a framework for tracking and evaluating progress over time.

The other comments were reviewed regarding sustainability. Bob Zogg will develop supporting text, for the position. The rest of the sustainability section will remain as written. Bob will share this rationale language with Alexis.

4:5 Recommendation 16A.

Amend Text as follows;

Recommendation 16A. Explore options to restrict the use of fossil fuels in new construction or major renovations using a Home Rule petition or other means.

4.6 Recommendation 19,

Amend Text as follows;

Protect land (both developed and undeveloped) and native flora , fauna and funga.

4:7 Recommendation 19C remain as written. Written rationale drafted by Bob to be shared with Alexis.

4:8 Recommendation 10D

Trails Committee Concerns: Bob Zogg and Christina Christodoulopous to address the concerns of Recommendation 10D, perhaps creating an environmental checklist as opposed to “statement of environmental impact” for the creation of new trails and through wordsmithing.

5.0 Budget

Jack Troast is discussing the Contract modification with Barrett Planning Group for their final work. It will be an additional \$4,500 and falls within the overall budget allocation.

6:0 Upcoming Schedule

31st March: Public comment period ends

5th April : SB meeting, no presentation.

April 6th : MSPC meeting

April 7th : Submit responses to Planning Board.

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April 11th Planning Board Meeting.
May 9th : Planning Board vote.

Meeting Adjourned 10.05pm