

## Town of Washington, ME Comprehensive Planning Committee

### Committee Meeting Notes for February 12, 2024

The town of Washington Comprehensive Planning Committee met at 7:00 PM on February 12, 2024 in the Bryant Room of the Washington Town Office. Members present were as follows:

Jeff Grinnell  
Peg Hobbs  
Mary Anderson  
Matthew St. Pierre  
Norman Casas  
Sara Bullard

The members were sworn in and the committee was formed. Members nominated and voted for a Committee Chairperson; Jeff Grinnell, and a Secretary; Matthew St. Pierre.

Being the first official meeting of the Committee, introductions of present committee members were conducted.

The Committee began with an informal review of the Goals, Policies and Implementations of the Town of Washington Comprehensive Plan dated March 25, 2005 (henceforth referred to as the 2005 Comprehensive Plan).

The committee then shifted to a review of the *“Agreement for Comprehensive Planning Services between the Town of Washington and the Midcoast Council of Governments.”* The committee agreed that they need a better understanding of the Scope of Work of the contract and services provided by the Midcoast Council of Governments (MCOG) prior to the Town meeting and vote for funding of the contract that will take place on March 30, 2024.

The next meeting will be held at March 11, 2024 beginning for members at 6:30 PM. The tentative agenda will be:

- Review of the *“Agreement for Comprehensive Planning Services between the Town of Washington and the Midcoast Council of Governments”* with a member of the MCOG.
- Review, edit as necessary, and vote to accept notes from February 12, 2024 meeting.
- A status review of the Goals, Policies, and Implementations of the 2005 Comprehensive plan. Expectations of members include a follow up to the best of their knowledge of the status of each of the Goals, Policies and Implementations (GPI) of the 2005 Comprehensive Plan. Pending any input from the committee

or direction from the Chairperson I recommend the Goals, Policies, and Implementation review look at the GPI through the following lens:

1. Responsible Agency (who do we think is/was responsible for completing this?)
2. Status (Do we think this is the status or do we know [through data]?)

-Complete

-In Progress (started and ongoing)

-Incomplete (started and no longer ongoing)

-Not Started

-Unknown/More Data Needed

3. Is this still valid? (Not opinion based. E.g. Has this GPI been consumed by time, technology, other projects, outside factors/influences, or has it been completed to expectation?)

- The Committee will develop talking points to support the funding of the MCOG contract. The recommended goal should be for the Committee to approve the talking points by the end of the meeting, but they should be approved no later than March 25, 2024 to enable to dissemination to the entire committee and shared with the select board prior to the Town Meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:40 PM.