

**Town of Grantham**  
**Master Plan Committee Meeting**  
March 27, 2017

Thain Allan called the meeting to order at 11:59 p.m. The meeting was held in the Jerry Whitney Memorial Conference Room of the Grantham Town Hall located at 300 Route 10 South in Grantham, NH.

Present: Thain Allan, Bob MacNeil, Gene Martin, Mary Hutchins, Adam Ricker (UVLSRPC)  
Meeting minutes: Nikki Arsenault

**Upcoming Meeting Dates:**

April 3, 2017 at 12:00 p.m.  
April 10, 2017 at 12:00 p.m.

**Administrative:**

n/a

**New Business:**

MacNeil noted that on page 4, the last sentence of the second paragraph should be removed per discussions in prior meetings. Following some discussion, the Committee agreed that it would be possible to merely remove the word “far” to achieve the same result. In the “Vision” chapter on page 9, third bullet regarding open space; Ricker agreed to add “costs / benefits” to this sentence. On page 10, MacNeil referenced the first bulleted point and asked if they could expand upon the effects rather than the structure of the enterprise. Ricker commented that using scale in this situation could be ambiguous. Ricker suggested adding “Scale architecture and development patterns should be in keeping with the surrounding community character with standards to be determined by the Planning Board.” In the section about paving roads, the Committee agreed to remove the word “strong” from “strong justification”.

Page 14 – Question of comparing Upper Valley vs. Sullivan County data. Allan noted that in the second paragraph, check wording/punctuation. Under the “Projections” section, Ricker will add comparable towns to consider in the future.

Page 17 – First paragraph – Ricker will strike the parenthetical reference. Change “as” to “has” five lines up from the bottom of the page.

Page 18 – Thermal Dynamics – Ricker will strike this.

Page 23 – Croydon Mountain and Grantham Mountain are two separate mountains. Croydon Mountain is further south and west. Strike “Grantham Mountain”.

Page 24 – Yellow highlight – section ok

Page 29 – Reminder made to strike the sentence in the first paragraph.

Page 30 – Check map following comment from MacNeil.

Page 31 (?) – Add otters, mink, and osprey to the list of animals.

Page 33 – In the section regarding hazardous materials “encourage proper handling and disposal” will be added. Then, add a period after “regulations” in the following statement.

Page 38 – Remove “should” after “land use” and add the word “may”. Also, Allan suggested replacing “future districts should” with “future districts may”. He also suggested removing the word “proposals”, Ricker noted that he will remove the entire sentence. Following a comment from Martin, the Committee agreed to remove the entire paragraph beginning “...?” Ricker noted that he would remove “proposals” and incorporate “future land use”.

Page 40 – Check again and change instances of “should” and “would”. Soften language and remove language not related to the community survey. Discussion ensued regarding land as a commodity vs land as a resource. Under “Goals” remove the word “however”. This topic will be tabled for the next meeting for continued discussion.

### **Adjournment**

Martin made a motion to adjourn.

MacNeil seconded the motion. All in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

The next Master Plan Committee meeting will take place on Monday, April 3, 2017 in the Jerry Whitney Memorial Conference Room of the Grantham Town Hall at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Nikki Arsenault