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Master Plan Committee Meeting

Meeting Date and Time: Wednesday, December 14th 2022 6:30pm

Meeting Place: Old Town Hall, 19 Meeting House Hill Rd, Sanbornton NH

Present: Selectman Brandon Deacon, Co-Chair Nina Gardner, Kate Osgood, Paul Dexter, Sam Swartz

Paul Dexter made a motion to approve the minutes of 11/30. Sam Swartz seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

a. Discussion or Historic District Commission section – Sam explained that the introduction for this summary is from the 2012 Master Plan; he has added a paragraph about the recent survey results. There is a paragraph about the resources available to residents regarding the historic district; in 2020 there was a grant for an architectural historian to do a digital report on the district and there is a room in the public library dedicated to historic material. Sam noted that the Commission is looking into two grants, one to digitize the contents of that room and another to identify historic houses in the town that are not in the district. Historic District Commission Chair Franz Vail suggested adding a recommendation that the Planning Board provided more enforcing authority to the Historic District Commission rather than just advisory.

Selectman Deacon suggested adding a definition of “the Square” and Sam responded that a map will be added. He also suggested having a link to the Historic District Commission and directions to where to find the 2020 digital report that Sam mentioned, rather than a direct link to the report in case there are changes to the Town website.

b. Discussion of Public Safety section – Paul stated that he is still waiting on some information about history of the Police Department; in this section he will be describing the history of the PD and Fire Dept and staffing changes throughout the years as well as where he envisions the FD to be in several years. He asked if some information about the Highway Dept should be included in this section as maintaining roads is related to public safety; Selectman Deacon suggested putting that info in the Transportation section and Kate stated that she will work on updating Transportation. Chair Gardner added that she feels some information about schools and the school district is important to include and will work on that.

c. Upcoming meetings – Paul/Public Safety and update on Housing section on January 11th, 2023 at 6:30pm

Meeting adjourned at 7:42pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Audry Barriault