

Growth Planning Committee
Minutes
July 20, 2021

Attendees: Dan Saunders, Chair, Jim Fitzgerald, Vice-Chair, Janet Powell, Secretary,
Paul Hogan, Jim McMann, Werner Gilliam, Director of Planning and Development
Absent: Mike Corsie
Guests: Liz Durfee, Tom Morgan, Planning Consultants

Dan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Liz gave us an update on the Nonantum event. Every aspect has been covered and response by participants is excellent (approx. 72) and the tent has a capacity to hold up to 100. Snacks, markers, pens and printing have all been procured.

Tom, Jim and Liz reminded us that this event will be our first live intro to live public opinion and input and that it will be followed by a second live Land Use Ordinance event in September. Dan also underscored the importance of encouraging townspeople at the SWOT to tune in to the town channel and/or attend meetings in person starting August 3 to stay engaged in the CP discussions.

Tom went over the proposed schedule for the CP moving forward. Upcoming work and discussion include:

- Review of Ch 208 Regs for Future Land Use
- Meeting with Planning Board
- Report on SWOT event
- Vision and Community Character review
- Consultants meeting with staff
- Public Workshop Week of September 13-17
- Report on LU Workshop findings
- Policies, strategies and Implementation Table
- Plan wrapup, formatting and public hearings

GPC and other town committees will be meeting in person starting in August. Dave Powell is working on acquisition of a piece of equipment that will allow remote access to live meetings in real time.

Minutes of July 6 were unanimously approved.

The next meeting will be in person at the North St. Station at 6:00 p.m. on August 3.

With no new business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Powell

