

Comprehensive Plan Review and Implementation Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, April 21, 2016, 5 PM

**Attendees:** Meghan Cooper, Kendra Chubbuck, Bob Gerber, Bill Stevens, Rob DeWitt

**Remote attendees:** Rudi Graf

**Agenda (presented by Bob Gerber):**

I. Welcome and record those present. Do we have a quorum of Committee Members? Who is willing to help? Who is just coming for information?

II. Approval of the minutes of the 3/22 (informal), 2/25, and 1/14 (informal) meetings (if quorum of committee members present).

III. Discuss our top and medium priorities only (the ones not on hold)

What are we capable of doing?

Consider what we need for resources to do what we want to do (what do we want to contribute for warrant items to the 2016 town meeting?)

Consider the time frame within which we are most likely to accomplish each priority task

IV. Set date and time of next meeting

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Bob opened the meeting at 5:10 PM.

Bob got an estimate for the sign at the landing. It should not be prohibitively expensive once it is decided what the rules are and how to enforce them.

Rudi moved to approve the three sets of minutes as amended. Kendra seconded. 3 in favor, 1 abstention.

Town meeting will be on Monday for election of officers. No appropriations will be made. Kendra will be on a food sovereignty panel in Belfast on Saturday.

Priorities:

*Economic development:*

Rudi hopes that someone will step forward and begin something. John Blaisdell is interested in seaweed farming. At the moment, the fishermen are working on getting traps in the water. A lot of people are hoping someone else will try it to see how it works. Another idea would be to recruit someone who is interested in it to the island. Marketing is still an issue—people aren't really sure how that will work. Rudi will pursue that this summer. There probably is no need for

a warrant article yet. Bob will help with the clam ordinance (but not this year). That would require some sort of enforcement, such as a harbormaster/clam warden. We should explore other opportunities for economic development, too! **Kendra** will email Karen Burns at the Island Institute for list of ILEAD/ISLES people and contact info.

*Housing:*

Marion Breeze had thoughts to contribute to an eventual housing discussion from her experience as a landlady.

This is possibly a subject to discuss once we have town officers after the upcoming town meeting.

Bill thinks there was a process written out for lease-to-own sometime in the 1990s.

*EMS:*

The PoCo will start moving things from the landing office in the next couple of months (at the latest). Bill does not think there is much contamination at the site.

*Town records/government:*

We can take this on after new officers are elected on Monday.

Bob now has a [planningboard@isleauhautmaine.us](mailto:planningboard@isleauhautmaine.us) email. He will talk to other town officers.

*Water testing:*

Bob wants to put a flyer on water testing/water hazards information in with the tax bills, as well as info about the floodplain management ordinance.

We should discuss some of the wording in the draft flyer before distributing.

*Fire department:*

Rob repaired one portable pump and ordered parts for another one. The fire department definitely needs more money. There are a lot of fire extinguishers that need to be refilled/changed out. Steve Robbins took an inventory of Point Lookout and came up with around 30 that need to be serviced.

Rob did preliminary cost estimates with a Skowhegan company for refilling/recharging fire extinguishers.

Bob did some research on fire chief requirements last summer—there are a lot of trainings and requirements.

John has talked to the park about fire breaks—representatives from the park will be coming out sometime in May to talk about it.

**Meghan** will look into who is responsible for E-911 system. Can Bob make a map and submit it?

The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 25 at 5 PM.

Bill moved to adjourn, seconded by Kendra. 4 in favor, 0 opposed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Meghan Cooper