Comprehensive Plan Review and Implementation Committee (CPRIC) Minutes Tuesday, August 11, 2015 at 5:30 PM Revere Memorial Hall

Attendees: Paul Lewis, Meghan Cooper, Bob Gerber, Harold van Doren, Kendra Chubbuck

## Paul presented an agenda:

- I. Review and approve minutes from 7/14/15 meeting and 7/29/15 meeting
- II. Status of section reviews
- III. Status and next steps for quick hit implementation plans
  - a. Planning board/land use
  - b. Healthcare/clinic
  - c. Harbormaster
  - d. Others
- IV. Survey
- V. Other business
- VI. Set date for next meeting(s) and adjourn

Meeting opened by **Paul** at 5:35 PM.

Paul has appointed Harold van Doren as a permanent member of the committee.

# Review and approve minutes from 7/14/15 meeting and 7/29/15 meeting:

Meghan will add Kendra to the minutes from 7/29. With that correction, both minutes are approved.

## Status of section reviews, status of quick hit implementation plans

The overall reaction to asking people for help on the sections has been apathy and/or "I'm way too busy, ask me in the fall/winter!" We should continue to respect people's busy schedules, while taking the initiative to move what we can forward.

**Bob** and Karen Wilson are looking into getting trained to assess water quality for the pond.

Dane Stevens looked at the sections **Bob** sent him and responded with comments.

**Rudi** had some questions. He's been talking with Nate Clark, who is interested in helping. **Rudi** is curious whether the lobstermen want to reform the lobstermen's association. He also suggested that we might look at the harbormaster proposal as being a project that we can move forward relatively easily.

**Paul** distributed a health care clinic proposal (handout #1).

Is it too soon to put a proposal in the warrant at the town meeting? It might be hard to get a long-term commitment, especially this early in the process, when nobody has really heard about this proposal. People tend to want a solid plan before getting roped into a long-term commitment.

It is suggested that we should re-word the article to gauge the community's support at the upcoming town meeting. If we could get a vote of confidence in the proposal, perhaps the start of a fund toward a future healthcare facility, it could show the town's support to the Church.

In the next few days, **Paul** will reword the warrant article to reflect a general support and some money for feasibility studies and send it out to the committee. **Kendra** will check with the selectmen to see if it is still possible to add things to the warrant. Addendum #1 contains the text of Kendra's follow-up email.

## Survey

**Meghan** showed the committee the mock-up of the survey on Google forms. Meghan will try to get this out by the end of the week/next week. She will send it to Elsa Butler, Sue Chamberlin, and the committee for notes and feedback before sending it out and advertising it to the general public.

#### Other business

**Bob** is working on maps again. He will send around an updated map soon.

## Set date for next meeting(s) and adjourn

The next meeting will be held on Monday, August 31, at 5:30. Meeting adjourned at 7:01 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Meghan Cooper

## Health Care Clinic August 11, 2015 DRAFT

## Background (from section E of the current Comprehensive Plan)

#### 4.6 Health Services

Isle au Haut does not have a clinic or hospital within the community. Telemedicine, through Maine Seacoast Mission's *Sunbeam*, provides important medical care every two weeks. There are a number of doctors on island in the summer. Definitive care is located in Blue Hill or Ellsworth. Some residents use a primary care doctor at the Island Medical Center in Stonington.

## Policies (from section E of the current Comprehensive Plan)

5. It is the policy of Isle au Haut to provide fire and emergency medical services 10. The town of Isle au Haut recognizes and supports the efforts of the Maine Seacoast Mission to provide telemedicine and community services to outer islands.

## **Strategies (from section E of the current Comprehensive Plan)**

3. The town shall fund a fire department and support several EMTs. Timeframe: ongoing.

## **Updates**

- 1. EMT bags and supplies are currently stored in the firehouse ... a less than desirable location according to our EMT's.
- 2. The Maine Seacoast Mission has a brand new telemedicine system to donate to Isle au Haut if a suitable heated location can be identified
- 3. The Union Congregational Church board of trustees are interested in leasing some or all of the parsonage
- 4. The Union Congregational Church board of trustees would be willing to contribute funds (amount still TBD) to remodel the parsonage and build a medical clinic on the first floor.
- 5. Members of the community have expressed an interest to the comprehensive planning review and implementation committee in having the town lease space from the church for the purpose of having a health care clinic on island.

## **Potential Survey Question**

Would you support the Town to lease part of the parsonage from the Union Congregational Church to build and maintain a year-round health care clinic?

# **Proposed Warrant Article**

To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for remodeling leasing the parsonage for the purpose of maintaining an island health care clinic (Recommendation \$X for one-time remodeling costs and \$Y for monthly lease payments)

**Subject:** Answers to the Questions I was to get From Last Night's Comprehensive Planning Meeting From

John DeWitt

Date: Wednesday, August 12, 2015 at 2:18:24 PM Eastern Daylight Time

From: Kendra P. Chubbuck

To: Meghan Cooper, 'Paul R. Lewis', 'Bob Gerber', 'Bill & Peggy Stevens\*', 'Gerardine Wurzburg', 'Rudi

Graf', 'Kelly Merrill', 'John DeWitt', 'PaulaGreatorex .', 'Nancy Calvert', 'Marion Breeze-Williams',

Kendra Chubbuck, Isle au Haut

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Good Afternoon Everyone -

- 1. Update on the Harbor Master where are we in the process?
  - Selectmen are seeking a part-time Harbor Master. They have made a few inquiries but have no takers at this time. It was then put on the back burner because of other pressing issues the Selectmen were dealing with.
- 2. When is the Town Annual Report going to the printer?
  - The 2013 audit is completed and has gone to the printer or is on its way. Some parts of the annual report are at the printers now.
  - · More than 85% of the 2014 budget is at the auditors now.
- 3. Is it too late to put in an article? The committee is hoping there is still a window/time to add an article.
  - Landon is going to call the attorney because the Selectmen want to change some of the warrant as well. If the lawyer says yes, then the committee will be able to put in an article. John said he would let me know what Landon finds out.

John and I worked on a proposed Article from what was presented at last night's meeting. We thought the following draft might work:

# To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for an Island Health Care Clinic fund. This fund would support the clinic wherever it ends up being.

We could handout a copy of the Health Care Clinic draft with all the background. As you all know, this would be discussed in the discussion part of the motion and that would be where we would definitely bring up the five (5) updates i.e. Seacoast Mission donating the telemedicine system, etc...

I think that is all I had to do, correct?

Best, Kendra

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