

**CITY OF BREWER  
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMMITTEE MEETING  
MINUTES  
APRIL 28, 2014**

Chairman Campbell called the meeting to order at the Brewer City Hall Council Chambers at 8:04 a.m.

The following were in attendance:

Kevin Birch	Absent
Allen Campbell	Present
Jim Donnelly	Absent
Michael Fitzpatrick	Absent
Nicole Gogan	Absent
David Hanna	Present
Frank Higgins	Present
Linda Johns	Present
D'arcy Main-Boyington	Present
Richard Manzo	Absent
Janet McIntosh	Present
Daniel O'Connell	Present

Consultant Rich Rothe

Also in attendance: City Council Liaison Bev Uhlenhake, Assistant City Manager James Smith and Code Officer Ben Breadmore (arrived at 8:30)

Minutes of the April 7, 2014 Committee meeting were unanimously approved as written.

Waterfront Master Plan revision: Rich and Linda prepared a draft summary based on the existing waterfront master plan. The committee discussed the content.

- Revise the summary to remove North Brewer and South Brewer terminology.
- The written description uses Main Street – should change to South Main Street and North Main Street.
- It was generally agreed that an introductory statement prepared by David Hanna should be included in the document.
- Rename title of document as a summary or introduction so not to confuse with the original document.
- The City's contribution to the waterfront area is in the waterfront trail and potential TIF's funds for private projects. Grants may also be available.
- The City's website should have information on what is allowed on the City's improvements on the waterfront, such as weddings in the Children's Garden and if bikes and skateboards are allowed on the trail.

- There is a need for improved parking.
- Would like to have public opinion on what they want to see in the waterfront area but they need to realize that much of the property is private. The City does not have easements on this private land.
- It would be good to have a number of small events take place on the waterfront.
- The City is working to make WiFi available.
- Take out the phrase "...open space amenities linking North and South Brewer."
- The Economic Development Dept will review and comment.

Comp Plan Maps: Linda passed around draft copies of the 8.5x11" maps which would be included in the final document. The Engineering Department has done a great job. There are a few minor changes to be done.

Compilation of goals/policies/strategies: The Committee continued to review the compilation.

Transportation g/p/s:

- Goals – add a goal to be proactive in preparing for increases in traffic over the next ten years.
- Add to continue to analyze the use and future use of impact fee districts to help mitigate needed traffic improvements which is due to growth by developments. The developers should pay a portion of the costs rather than the citizens.

Education g/p/s:

- Strategy 3D and others – add comma between entities; Recreation Dept should be Parks & Rec Dept.
- Add a policy on student health. Strategy would be to continue the public/private partnership for health services.
- Strategy 3F – remove extra "and".
- Strategy 3B – Rec Dept should be Parks & Rec Dept

Public Works g/p/s:

- Add Strategy 1D – to continue effective and timely actions to address citizen concerns.

Water, Sanitary Sewer, Stormwater g/p/s:

- Separate into three titled sections.
- Check numbering on the goals.
- Strategy 1B – change title to Drinking water treatment.

Solid Waste g/p/s:

- Spell out abbreviations for PAYT, CDD, PERC.
- Strategy 2A – "long-range" typo
- Strategy 2B – Capitalize "H".
- Strategy 2G – Remove cost?
- Strategy 2F – Check with Ken Locke on the last bullet.

- Strategy 3A – Change “Bangor Hydro” to “Emera Maine (formerly Bangor Hydro)”.

Recreation g/p/s:

- Revise goal 1 by changing “from” in the second line to “including” and deleting “to” just before “skateboarding.”
- Change responsibility from Rec Dept to Parks & Rec Dept.
- Goal 1 – Change “from”.
- Add after school activities similar to Strategy 3B under Education.

The Committee will continue with these g/p/s next meeting and all the changes will be made at once. After that, Linda will email to all City departments for their review. The next step would be a public meeting.

The next Committee meeting is scheduled for May 5<sup>th</sup> at Brewer City Hall.

The meeting adjourned at 10:03 a.m.