

HANOVER

SUSTAINABILITY MASTER PLAN

Meeting Notes

Date/Time: 9/12/2023; 5:00PM
Approved: September 26, 2023
Place: Town Offices, Zoom

Notes Taken By: Vicki Smith

Re: Hanover Sustainability Master Plan –
Advisory Committee Meeting

Attendance

Master Plan Advisory Committee

Elizabeth Esinhart – Chair
Joanna Whitcomb
Brian Edwards
Chris Kennedy
Yolanda Baumgartner
Paul Simon
Eric Hryniewicz

Members of the Public

Nancy Carter
Jennie and John Chamberlin (via Zoom)

Town Staff

Robert Houseman, Director of Planning, Zoning, and Codes
Vicki Smith, Senior Planner

Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm.

Discuss Future Land Use Plan

The Committee discussed the draft future land use plan. Comments included:

- 1) Color scheme is difficult to differentiate. There should be more contrast between the downtown, mixed use, residential 1 and residential 2 areas.
- 2) Add four areas of mixed use and two areas of most dense residential.
- 3) Etna Village needs to be moved south to the intersection of Schoolhouse and Hanover Center Road. Beneath the star should be a small circle of mixed use.
- 4) The Town's open space layer should be added without labels. This may mean that some of the areas shown as other uses should be modified so as not to overlap with the open space areas. The open space color should be added to the legend.
- 5) There are three additional open space areas: the first is meant to coincide with Pine Park; the second is meant to be aligned with a Class VI road that runs from Route 10 to Oak Hill/Trescott Company lands; the third is meant to connect Mink Brook Community Forest South with Lebanon.

The Committee also discussed whether to include "institution" as a separate use. It was decided that it would be included in the mixed use generalized land use category.

Discuss Draft Chapter 3 Expanding Housing Opportunity

The draft chapter was discussed with a number of modifications made to goals, graphics, strategies and metrics. These modifications will be incorporated and the revised chapter passed along to the Planning Board for review.

Reference to the new ADA guidelines from the US Access Board will be made in the Plan.

Discuss Master Plan Outreach/Feedback Elements

There was interest in including the future land use plan as well as the vision statement in a mailing to everyone in town.

Public Comment

Comments from the public were welcomed during the discussion. There were no additional public comments.

Minutes, Next Meeting and Other Business

The minutes of August 22, 2023 were reviewed. On a motion by Chris to approve the minutes, there was a second offered by Brian. The motion was unanimously approved.

The next meeting will be held on September 26 to prepare for the public outreach events in October.
There was no other business.

Adjourn

At 6:50 PM, Chris offered a motion to adjourn. Joanna seconded the motion. There was unanimous support for the motion to adjourn.