

Long Island Comprehensive Planning Committee
November 9, 2021
Meeting Minutes
Conducted remotely by Zoom

Present: Janice Avignon, Nancy Berges, Peter Dolan, Dennis McCann, Linda Ferguson McCann, Melanie Nash, Jane Oldfield-Spearman, Erica Papkee, Patti Papkee, Matt Purington,

Guests: Christian LaMontagne, Ralph Sweet

Agenda:

1. Shifting from Discovery to Create Phase
2. Vision sessions - outcome and next steps
3. Chapter Updates
4. Confirm Dec. meeting date/time/format

Minutes:

Janice welcomed the committee to the November LICP2035 monthly meeting and welcomed the guests, Christian Lamontagne and Ralph Sweet.

1. Shift From Discovery to Create Phase
 - a. Janice spoke to the committee about the transition from the discovery phase of the planning process to the creation of the plan. This shift involves both a change in how we spend our time and effort and also a fundamental shift in how we view work on the plan for the next few months.
 - b. We have spent 6 months doing discovery including research and data collection on topic areas to answer the Maine State checklist questions; and in community engagement across stakeholder discussions, community survey, 8 follow up forums. We now start writing the chapters and delve into strategy and policy recommendations.
 - c. Janice then presented the Trello page which had been updated with the help of Wes.
 - i. The Trello now has dated deadlines for chapter writing and the long-term timeline of the plan. These timelines exist for an end date of May 14 town meeting or a special town meeting in the fall.
 - ii. Janice proposed that the committee look over the Trello and reflect on their chapter progress and we take a committee vote on which timeline to work towards in the next monthly meeting.
 - d. Melanie gave a brief update on her progress as Island Fellow.

- i. Work on forums, as well as work on the Google drive which will be expanded upon later.
 - e. Janice introduced Jane Oldfield-Spearman to update the committee on the vision process.
- 2. Vision Sessions
 - a. Jane led the committee through a discussion of the process behind the two vision sessions held during the month of October.
 - i. This discussion encompasses both the thematic coding that happened with the open-ended survey results to come up with vision themes as well as a reminder of the format of those sessions.
 - b. Jane read out the 'We Will' statements that were created for each theme by the participants at the October 2nd (in person) and October 23rd (zoom) Vision Workshops
 - i. The five themes of 'Resilient,' 'Resourceful,' 'Livable,' 'Equitable,' and 'Community Spirit.'
 - ii. Jane invited the committee to give feedback. Committee members commented on the wording of some of the statements
 - iii. The committee was invited to peruse these statements and add their own thoughts and feedback as comments in Google Drive within the LICP2035 Community Input folder. Especially if anything big is missing from their experiences on community engagement. Melanie has included all relevant documents on vision work in the google folder. Any questions from committee members on how to comment or navigate should be directed to Melanie.
 - iv. With quality water and supply a big topic of discussion at the sessions, Ralph Sweet is leading a new effort to create a citizen's committee to look into that challenge. He gave a brief description of the work they plan to do and that they have been 'blessed' by the Select Board. Christian Lamontagne has joined the water quality committee and ran through a few items on their agenda such as creating brochures and updating well maps.
- 3. Organizing documents on Google Drive
 - a. With the shift to writing chapters, Melanie created a Google Drive for chapter writing which she introduced to the committee.
 - i. The folder titled 'LICP2035 Chapter Writing' is shared with all committee members and they were instructed on the easiest ways to find it using google.
 - ii. Within this folder are individual folders for all of the chapters and their teams. These folders contain resources for each chapter writing team, and is a location for people to drop their writing notes and progress

- b. Melanie showed the updates to the website done by Beth Marchak. These updates include a general cleanup of the content there, as well as organization of meeting minutes and notes into a separate page from forum feedback.

The December meeting time was confirmed for Tuesday, December 7th at 6:30 pm, to be held on the Zoom platform. Zoom link will be provided in advance of the meeting.