

Long Range Planning Committee Report

The LRP met on Thursday, April 8, from 9:30 to 11 to work on planning for a town Visioning session later this year, possibly in late September or early October.

At this time we have contracted with Julie La Branch from the Rockingham Planning Commission for \$8,000 to help with the planning. Kim has also submitted a grant proposal to Piscataqua Region Environmental Planning Assessment for \$10,000 to help with the funding of the Visioning exercise and report.

On Thursday, we decided to task Julie with developing three items:

1. A timetable for the Visioning endeavor
2. A survey for town committees and commissions
3. A survey for all town residents

Scott Marien and Stacey Smith will consult with Julie on the development of the two surveys. Kim and I will also be in the loop on the survey development.

Once the draft surveys are ready, they will be presented to the LRP for approval.

We anticipate the committee and commissions survey to be ready first in mid May or early June. Once approved, this survey will be sent out in June and, we hope completed by early July.

The resident survey will likely be completed by the middle of June and can be sent out to be completed in July and August. This will be an on line survey.

RPC will set up a website to host the surveys and information related to the whole Visioning exercise.

The compilation on the surveys will be done by RPC. From the surveys the LRP will develop questions for the Visioning session in late September or early October.

After the Visioning session, a draft of results will be prepared and, following that, a Visioning Chapter can be created.

At the LRP meeting, we also decided to expand the LRP committee slightly and to invite two individuals to join the LRP Visioning Planning Committee. The invitees are Dominique Winebaum and Katheryn Garcia.

We are seeking Planning Board approval tonight to add these folks.

Kim and I will update the Select Board on the proposed timeline and survey process next Monday evening.

I believe that is all I have to report.