



Local Comprehensive plan committee
Meeting minutes for Dec. 20, 2021

Committee members attending: Christopher Clark, chairman, Mara Glatzel, Claudia Tuckey, Susan Areson, Select Board representative, Steven Sollog, Planning Board representative

Absent: Ellery Althaus, Eric Jansen

Truro staff/consultant attending: Barbara Carboni, town planner/land use counsel; Sharon Rooney, LCPC consultant; Darrin Tangeman, town manager

Others attending: Bob Panessiti, representing the Economic Development Committee

The meeting was called to order at 10:05.

Barbara Carboni reported that 580 people have responded to the survey so far. Members discussed how long to keep the survey open and agreed upon Jan. 31.

Darrin Tangeman reported on the news segment that he and Susan Areson taped with Lower Cape TV. It was released on Friday, Dec. 17. The segment is not a promotional video, so the town had no control over the content, but the producer, Noah Johnson, asked questions that explained the mission of the Local Comprehensive Plan Committee and its desire to have people fill out the survey.

Members reviewed the list of stakeholder groups and categories for outreach. Sharon Rooney suggested adding names to the categories, identifying target dates for forums and then reaching out to the desired participants.

Members discussed whether to have open public workshops or to have smaller focus groups of invited participants. Some concern was expressed over redundancy with other groups that are also seeking public opinion on issues facing Truro.

Chris Clark spoke about the Local Comprehensive Plan as a high-level document that will reference and rely on more detailed plans produced by other committees and organizations.

Bob Panessiti told members that the Economic Development Committee will host four or five forums in January and February, each one focused on a different segment of the business community. The categories, which will be further defined at the EDC's early January meeting, include construction, hospitality, nonprofits, tourism, and home-based businesses.

Sharon Rooney reviewed a revised timeline for the LCP work, including:

- Public engagement January through April, through stakeholder outreach, flyers, posters, story maps

- Developing growth policy and goals from spring through the fall
- Creating a draft plan by January 2023
- Preparing a final plan for the annual Town Meeting in the spring of 2023

Members discussed how to create a vision statement for the plan and agreed that it must include input from the diverse groups in the community as well as LCPC members.

Sharon Rooney suggested crafting a letter to send out to stakeholders explaining the mission of the LCPC and the goals for community outreach.

Susan Areson suggested setting dates for other committees to meet with the LCPC to discuss their work and goals. These include the Housing Authority, Walsh committee, Climate Action Committee, Board of Health – and many others.

Members agreed to meet on Jan. 10, 2022 to continue discussion of stakeholders. Members were asked to think about which groups to reach out to first.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:22 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Areson

